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UNDER THE PUNKAH.

By J. PENN.

I have been learning the pipe
tripe hipe typewriter during the last
few days. It is a handy % in-
strument and no scribe should be
without one. The only thing is,
one must get to know the 111 keys
1/2. One of the advantages of the
pipe hipe tripewriter is the speed
at which one can get along.
As I said to George P. Boddleth-
waite, aBt is lOng and life is sho t.
Therefore, hoW can a mab die
better than by facing fearful pipe
hipe tripewriters! After all,
I don't think I will go any further
with my lessons. As the compositor
can see, I have had to finish this
paragraph with the pen.

Still further encouraged by com-
plimentary friends to continue
writing helpful hints for the un-
sophisticated, I have much pleasure
this week in submitting a few
suggestions for motorists. If, dear
reader, you happen not to be the
owner of a car, don't let that
trifling circumstance dissuade you
from reading on a little further. I
can tell you how to become posses-
sed of a car very easily—not on the
long-drawn-out hire-purchase sys-
tem, but quickly and for nothing,
or next to nothing—say five dollars
at the outside, if you are living
on Hong Kong side. Every night
there are cars left scattered about
the streets of Kowloon waiting for
people to drive them away. Why
not take advantage of this tempting
offer? If their owners are cruel
and callous enough to leave their
Morrisbecker and Studebakers out
in the cold all night, they deserve
to lose them. Well, having now got
our car, the next thing is to learn
how to treat it kindly. Never
forget to keep the gears well
stripped for action. Watch your
batteries, and be sure to keep them
dry. When pushing the lever in
reverse, keep your eye (or eyes)
fixed on the radiator cap; by this
simple method all strain on the
neck-muscles caused by looking
backward is avoided. Always keep
the radiator well filled with spirit;
soda, or plain water can be easily
obtained en route. See that your
tyres are all nicely flattened before
starting on a long drive; nothing
looks worse than wheels with big,
fat tyres bulging to the point of
bursting. Switching on the ignition
facilitates easy starting these cold
mornings. By engaging first gear
before swinging the starting-handle,
one can save time in getting away.
To ascertain whether there is any
petrol in the tank, apply a lighted
match; this method can be most
usefully employed in the Happy
Valley district.

George P. Bottlethwaite says he
wonders no longer why the residents
at the European Y.M.C.A. have
such a well-kept appearance. George
has secured copies of three recent
menus. One bears the pathetic in-
scription: "Beef & a Moke." The
menu for breakfast on Tuesday
kicked off with: "Tuesday 5th of
Oatmeal. 1 Oatmeal." By tiffin-
time, the residents had recovered
from the shock. A repercussion oc-
curred, however, when they sat
down at table and found a menu
facing them with a most interesting
item: "Grilled Calf Lover and
Bacon." Honi soit qui mal y
pense!!!

For the benefit of those who are
interested in the progress of Sino-
Japanese negotiations, I have ob-
tained the following exclusive in-
formation covering the events of the
coming week. I can guarantee that
this information is as reliable, ac-
curate, and authentic as any the
Editor has yet published.

TOKYO, March 11th.
Negotiations between Mr. Yoshi-
zawa and Dr. Wang are now pro-
ceeding satisfactorily, the Chinese
representative having realised the
imperative necessity of modifying
his absurd and impertinent de-
mands.

NANKING, March 12th.
Mr. Yoshizawa having shown an
obvious desire to be more reason-
able in his attitude, Dr. Wang's
patient efforts to reach a settlement
are likely soon to reach fruition.

TOKYO, March 13th.
A deadlock has been reached at
Nanking owing to Dr. Wang's
obstinate attitude.

NANKING, March 14th.
As a result of Mr. Yoshizawa's
overbearing arrogance, Sino-Japan-
ese discussions have come to a dead-
lock.

TOKYO, March 15th.
Contrary to earlier reports, it is
authoritatively stated that discus-
sions between Mr. Yoshizawa and
Dr. Wang are proceeding with the
utmost cordiality.

NANKING, March 16th.
Reports from Tokyo that Sino-
Japanese conversations are proceed-
ing are absolutely unfounded. The
deadlock remains unbroken, and
will continue until Japan recognises
the justice of China's modest de-
mands.

TOKYO, March 17th.
There is no truth in the rumour
that Sino-Japanese negotiations are
proceeding. The arrogant obstinacy
of the Chinese representative has
brought about a complete deadlock.

TOKYO, March 18th.
A complete un-
derstanding has
been reached at
Nanking.

Looking at the uniforms worn by
members of some of our noble pro-
fessions, I am forced to come back
to the subject of fashions for men.
Why is it the fashion for a prison
warder to go through the streets
with a dog-chain dangling from his
waist? Would he not look better
when moving among the community
with this doubtless very necessary
article neatly tucked away in his
locker at the goal? Some suggested
extras: A white top to the naval
cap; open-neck tunic with collar
and tie like our lively little Navy
lads in blue; a more dignified chain
for the whistle-pocket, unless the
present one can be left behind with
its canine brother; a metal shoulder-
badge, instead of the "W." (what-
ever that stands for) in white em-
broided stitch. Some small con-
cessions in this direction, making
for better appearance in public,
would remove that weary look from
the faces of our hardworking prison
guardians.

An old acquaintance of my
younger days was sitting discon-
solately on the Star Ferry Wharf
last other night. Like most of the
dear old folks, he is a pensioner.
And, of course, only those who have
been in Government Service get a

pension. I wonder if my good kind
Editor will give me a pension
after, say, twenty-five years of pen-
pushing on these notes? It appear-
ed that he (my friend, not the
Editor) had been dining with an
American family living in some
little village at Happy Valley. On
the way to Kowloon, where pension-
ers generally live, he had visited
the Police Club to have a wee drop.
Alas, he arrived just five minutes
too late! And that accounted for
his deep melancholy, and a torrent
of abuse at the new order prohib-
iting the supply of intoxicating
drinks at the Club before 1 p.m.
and after 10 o'clock at night.
Fortunately, the good ship Three
Stars completed her voyage from
Hong Kong to Kowloon long before
midnight, and we were able to drink
to the confusion of those who have
robbed a poor man of his beer after
the hour of ten at night. Pity the
unlucky policeman who, after a
weary spell of duty, staggers feebly
into his club at 10.1 p.m. yearning
for refreshment and finds himself
barred from the bar!

Bottlethwaite is rather concerned
about this Pussfooting, as he calls
it, and wonders whether this early-
closing ordinance may not be ap-
plied to other Clubs in the Colony.
As Bottlethwaite says, if a police-
man can't be trusted to keep sober
after ten o'clock at night, who can?

And they are complaining in
Scotland about the falling-off of the
whisky business. No wonder ex-
ports are diminishing, and now that
the Police Club bar is closed at
ten, there will be a further slump
in the trade, unless the parched
policemen join the tennis and bowls
clubs and get their after-ten thirsts
quenched that way.

I wish somebody would invent a
soundless naval salute! This morn-
ing, when the American ships ar-
rived, I was shaving, and got such
a shock from the first gun fired on
Signal Hill that my razor slipped
and I gashed my face. And me
going to the ball to-night!! I have
not yet quite made up my mind
what to wear. I look well in almost
anything, as both my face and
figure are so adaptable. I could go as
Mephistopheles, Harold Lloyd, Bluff
King Hal, Charles I., Robespierre,
Napoleon, Julius Caesar, Trotsky,
Shakespeare, Bernard Shaw, a
jovial Monk, Louis XIV., Baldwin,
Ramsay Mac, Charlie Chaplin,
Hindenburg, Henry Ford, Negretti,
Zambra, Johnnie Walker, Douglas
Fairbanks, Mussolini, Chu Chin
Chow, Marshal Snelgrove, Edgar
Wallace, or Thomas Cook—and look
really lifelike in any character.
Now that beastly razor gash on my
face this morning has spoiled every-
thing! Bottlethwaite is going as
the hind-legs of an elephant, but
who his partner will be I don't
know. I think after all I shall do
something original. I have a two-
piece costume of white satin, cut
very full, gathered in at the waist
and ankles, and with black pom-
poms on the side seams and centre
front of the tunic, with a dainty
organdie ruffle at the neck. On the
head a black silk cap, very close-
fitting to the figure, with mask to
match. I don't suppose anything of
the kind has been ever seen here
before, so if you see anybody so at-
tired, you may be able to recognise
me, maskee the mask!

Diary of Coming Events.

To-day.
(March 9th.)
First Extra Race Meeting, Happy
Valley, 2 p.m.
Cricket:—Division I: Civil Ser-
vice v. Royal Artillery (L), Chinese
v. Kowloon (F). Division II:
University v. R.A.O.C. (L), Kow-
loon v. R.A.S.O. (L), Recreation
v. Diocesan Boys' School (F).
Football:—Division I: Royal
Artillery v. South China, Chinese
v. Recreation, Navy v. Club, Kowloon
v. Small Units. Division II: Kow-
loon v. South China "B", Small
Units v. Recreation, K.O.S.B. v. St
Joseph's, South China "A" v. Royal
Artillery, Navy v. Chinese, Univer-
sity v. Queen's, R.A.F. v. Eastern.
Craigengower C.C. Annual
Bachelors' Dance, 9.15 p.m.
May Hall Concert and dance, 8
p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Tempest."
World Theatre: "Sunrise."

Star Theatre: "The 13th Hour"
and The Samoan Dancers at 5.30
and 9.30 p.m.
Tos Dances: H.K. Hotel and
Peninsula Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances: King Edward
Hotel and Lane Crawford's Re-
saurant, 8 p.m.; Peninsula Hotel,
8.30 p.m.
European Mails:—Inward:
Europe via Negapatam (Khyber).
Outward: Europe via Marseilles
(Fushimi Maru), 9.30 a.m.; Europe
via Victoria, B.C. (Tyndareus),
10.30 a.m.
Sunday.
(March 10th.)
Fourth Sunday in Lent.
Queen's Theatre: "Skirts" also
Sam Ku West and his Harmony
Trio.
World Theatre: "My Best Girl."
Star Theatre: "The Merry
Widow."
European Mails:—Outward:
Europe via Siberia (Khyber) 9 a.m.

Monday.
(March 11th.)
Sale of Crown Land, Kowloon
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Circular Path and Marine Lot No.
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Hockey: Y.M.C.A. 1st XI. v.
H.K. Club 2nd XI, King's Park,
5 p.m.
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Moscow (U.P.).—Lady Luck is one of the deities whom the new Russia, in its spirited offensive against assorted superstitions, seem to have spared. From time immemorial a favourite in the Russian heart, she has lost none of her allure with the outlawry of capitalism. She owes her survival to the fact that she is useful to the new government. She has been spared on account of the theory that her powers could be used to strengthen the revolutionary regime.

The wilful and fickle lady has, indeed, been taken under the warm wing of the Bolshevik Government, which makes use of her ancient temptations to part the sovereign citizen from his roubles for the common good.

Raising Soviet Loans.

Lotteries are a standard feature of internal loans in the Soviet Union. Sometimes there is no interest upon loans at all—the chance of winning a lottery prize is the only inducement to the masses of Russians to part with their savings. Usually the loans have both interest and lottery features, but never is a loan issued purely on an interest-bearing basis—a miserly 10 or 12 per cent. per annum is not considered "bait" enough for the investor.

The same gambling instinct finds expression in a thousand other ways. The foreign visitor is amazed by the thousands of crude home-made roulette wheels at theatre and cinema buffets, at 10 kopeks a throw, with anything from an apple to a doll as the prize. Newspapers are constantly offering prizes to lucky numbers to boost their circulation.

At the city bazaars and country fairs, raffles do a thriving business. Everyone is urged to "take a chance"—usually the proceeds going to some worthy cause, such as the redemption of homeless children or the stocking of a new library, and the prizes range from a pair of skis to an imported Ford.

"Casinos" devoted to roulette and chemin-defer, run by the government, until recently existed in all the larger centres. Their gradual abolition in Moscow and Leningrad the last of them were closed recently—is the one setback suffered by Lady Luck; who is otherwise still triumphant.

Rough on "Holy" Men.

Practitioners in other domains of superstition, however, are finding life increasingly thorny in Russia. The ancient trade of "Messiah," to cite an instance, is being forced to the wall by vigorous police methods. Bogus "holy men" have for generations been a scourge upon the remotest and more primitive Russian villages. After collecting whatever money and portable goods they can from too credulous peasants, these frauds retire to some "heaven" out of reach of mundane police.

Recently, the hand of the law did reach into such a haven, disrupting a profitable trade on the part of two Russians who had been accepted as the "Messiah" and one of his right-hand "saints" in several villages of the Kiev district in the Ukraine.

Tickets for Heaven.

A tall lean man, with white robe, flowing beard, and a scattering of thorns in his matted hair, arrived in the village of Kojenka. With him came also a "saint" and the first snow-fall for which the peasants had been waiting anxiously. It was taken as his first "miracle."

The "Messiah" and the "Saint" set up shop in a peasant's hut and from versts around came crowds to be cleansed of sin and healed of sickness, paying well for the service. For 25 roubles, in fact, the pair sold "entrance to the Kingdom of Heaven," rubber-stamping the customer's chest as a receipt.

When the local police, under investigation of the lone Communist in Kojenka, tried to arrest the two men, the mob nearly lynched the Communist. An attempt with a weak heart, argued with the "saint" and died soon thereafter of heart failure. It was set down as one more "miracle."

The sick and the sinners piled the hut with their gifts and with good Bolshevik currency. The end came when the "Messiah" while curing a young girl got involved in an affair which, it is said, ended in the girl's suicide.

The pair of imposters then fled. They were arrested in another village.

Their "miracles of healing," it was found, had been achieved by the use of cocaine and other narcotics unknown to the unsophisticated inhabitants of Kojenka.

GIRL'S NIGHT OF FEAR.
ALLEGED SUICIDE THREAT OF A MARRIED LOVER.
"TAKE ME TOO."

Sensational allegations of a girl's ordeal were made at Woking Police Court when Thomas Henry Honeybourne, aged twenty-five, of Wood-street, Ash Vale, near Aldershot, was accused of attempting to murder Miss Louisa-Mabel Edney, aged twenty-two, a children's nurse, employed by Professor and Mrs. Turnbull, of Woking.

Mr. G. R. Paling, prosecuting, said that Honeybourne, who was a carpenter, met Miss Edney when his work took him to the house where she was engaged. Their acquaintance developed, he proposed to her, and was accepted, although he was, in fact, a married man with two children.

Miss Edney at that time believed him to be unmarried. He called at the house where she worked on the evening of December 15th and, Mr. Paling alleged, they went to a shed which was used by Girl Guides as a meeting place, and where workmen sometimes sheltered. Honeybourne told Miss Edney that he was fed up with things in general.

He told her that he was suffering from wounds in the chest which, he said, he received in the war. He had with him a shot-gun.

Long Argument.

"Naturally," said Mr. Paling, "Miss Edney tried to dissuade him from violence, and they remained in the shed talking and arguing for twenty-four hours. Nothing of an improper nature took place during that time."

Mr. Paling added that neither of them had anything to eat or drink, and Professor and Mrs. Turnbull became worried at the girl's absence. The professor went out and found them in the shed, and then communicated with the girl's mother.

Mrs. Edney came to Woking the next day and had an interview with Honeybourne. He told her, added Mr. Paling, that he was having a six-roomed house built at Telworth, near Surbiton, and that if it was not ready by the time they were married he could obtain rooms at Guildford. Mrs. Edney said that they would not be able to be married until she had spoken to the girl's father.

Miss Edney told her mother that she wanted the marriage to take place as soon as possible, because Honeybourne was uncomfortable and unhappy in his lodgings.

It was then arranged that the marriage should not take place until Mrs. Edney had spoken to her husband.

Marriage Licence.

It was agreed later, between the parties, that the marriage should be on January 8th, but on December 10th it was decided it should take place on Christmas Day. The girl went to the register office in Woking the following day, and obtained the necessary licence. A letter was then received from Mr. Edney stating that he was not going to let his daughter marry a madman.

Honeybourne told Miss Edney that her father was going to "catch him on the hop" and he would finish things.

They went on his motor-cycle to Alton in Hampshire, added Mr. Paling. After leaving the motor-cycle in a garage they walked down the road about five miles to a copse, and there they remained until day-break. The girl yielded to him. They went to a straw stack at day-break, and stayed there all the day of December 22nd, and through the night.

They returned by motor-cycle the following morning to Ash Vale, and arrived there about two p.m. They went into a shed which was used for lumber and stopped there until about 5.30 p.m., when Honeybourne again threatened to commit suicide.

"The girl for more than forty-eight hours had therefore been suffering from exposure to the weather, and had nothing to eat or drink. She was so worn out that she told Honeybourne that he had better take her too."

"Strangling Attempt."

"Honeybourne first attempted to strangle her with his scarf, but said that he had not enough strength in his wrists. He took a piece of rope from his pocket and put one end round her neck and the other round a beam.

"She stood on a petrol tin, kicked it away, the rope tightened, and she faint. The next thing she knew was when she found herself lying in a corner of the shed and Honeybourne telling her that his rope had broken. He had cut her down because he wanted to die with her."

"He told her that he was a married man with two children. Went out of the shed and said that he would return with some cake and buns. He locked the door as he went."

"At eleven p.m. the same night after Mr. and Mrs. Turnbull had communicated with the police, Superintendent Boshier saw the Honeybourne, who led the way to the shed, where the girl was lying in a corner, fully dressed and apparently asleep. There was a red mark about six inches long around her

throat. Honeybourne, when charged the following day, said, 'I quite understand. There was a slight mark about three inches long on his neck.'

"Never Wounded."

Mr. Paling said it had been ascertained that Honeybourne was never wounded. After serving in Mesopotamia for twelve months he was discharged suffering from a disease of the heart.

"His story of wounds and gas- ing was a tissue of lies," said Mr. Paling. He proposed, marriage, and took advantage of the girl when she was in a hopeless state of exhaustion.

"He left her in that exhausted condition for forty-eight hours, and then went back to his wife and family."

Miss Edney, who had to be assisted into court, looked pale, and was evidently distressed. She told the court that Honeybourne had taken her out a number of times and had told her that he was an unmarried man. She had agreed to marry him.

Miss Edney removed her hat at this stage, and telling the clerk that she had fainted, and was carried out of court by a policeman.

The magistrates remanded Honeybourne for one week.

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BRITISH NAVY ON SHOW.
"OWNER'S RIGHTS."

The Admiralty announce that "Navy Weeks" at Portsmouth, Devonport, and Chatham are to be held annually in future. They were first begun tentatively two years ago at Portsmouth, and last year they were extended to all three of the home ports.

By implication, this decision recognises officially for the first time, so far as the Navy is concerned, the well-known principle of law that the owner has a right to inspect his property. In the past "the owners," as Jack calls the taxpayers, have not been regarded as possessing this right. They were admitted to warships as "visitors" only, and in ordinary circumstances must continue to be so admitted, owing to the exigencies of the service. But the amusing incident which led to taxpayers being dubbed "the owners" in naval parlance shows that they were not always content to go aboard warships on the permissive footing of "visitors." Here is the story, and it is a true one: Some years ago a battleship was lying at a Northern port. A party of local people who wished to view her presented themselves at the gangway and asked for the captain. "Who shall I say wants him?" asked the officer of the watch. "Oh," replied one of the party, "just tell him that some of the owners want to look over their ship." The "owners" were invited aboard, and ever since that time taxpayers have been "the owners" to the Navy.

The order which makes Navy Weeks a permanent institution means that somewhere in July or August of every year warships of all classes will be assembled at the three principal naval ports and thrown open to public inspection, guides being provided to explain the various features of the vessels. A small charge for admission will be made, and the amount thus raised will go to naval charities. These benefitted to the extent of nearly £11,000 by the Navy Weeks held last year.

Except for the wirelessly-controlled "target ship," the Navy has no secret vessels now. When the aircraft carrier Argus was opened to the public at Portsmouth last year the veil was lifted from the last of the mystery ships.



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BRITAIN'S MOST IMPORTANT FILM.
A CHINESE GIRL IN LONDON.

"Piccadilly," Britain's costliest and most important film, was presented at the Carlton Theatre, Haymarket, last month for a short public season.

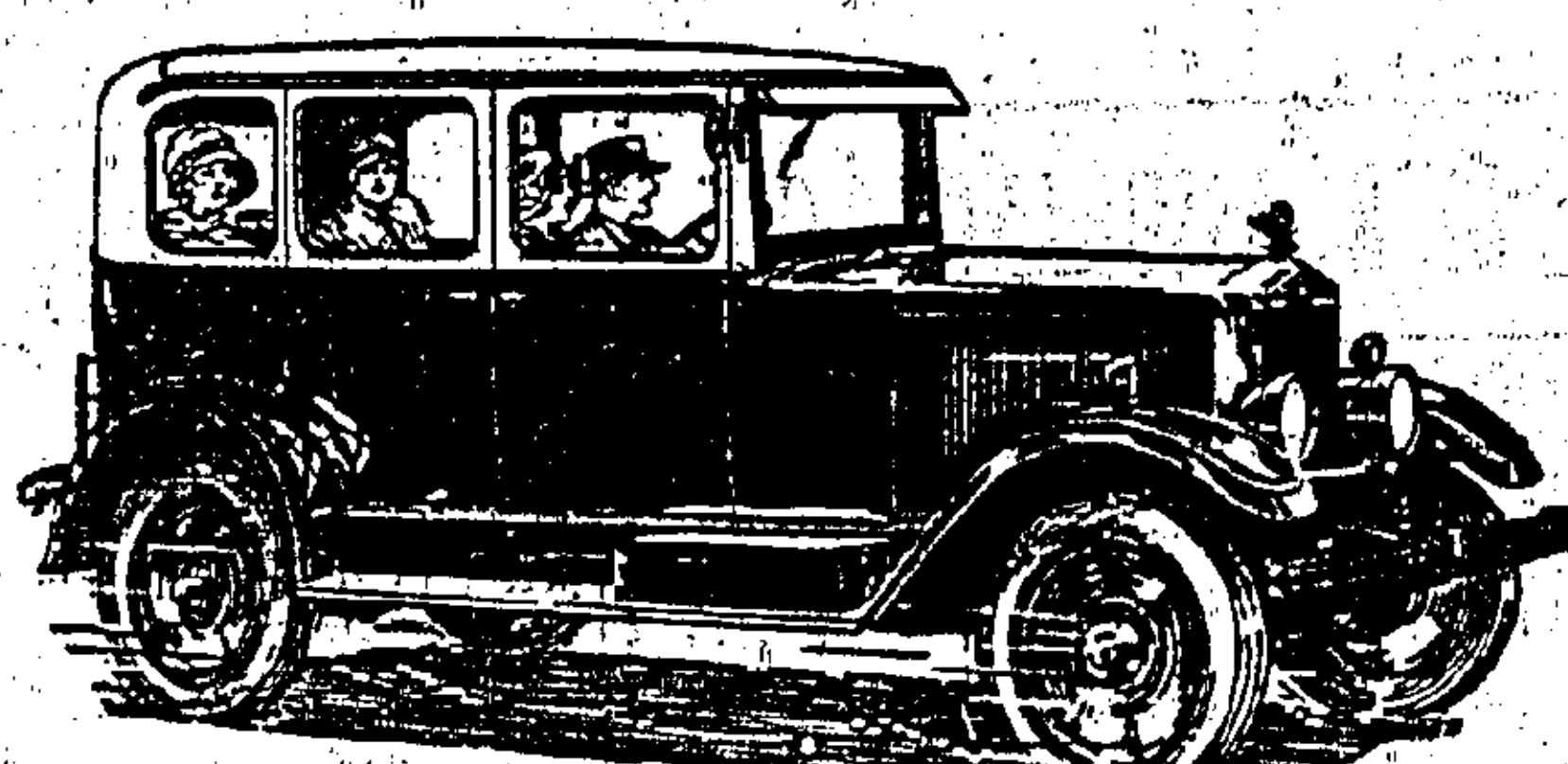
It was directed by E. A. Dupont, the producer of "Vaudeville" and "Moulin Rouge," and is based on an original story by Arnold Bennett.

This story concerns night club life in the West-end of London, and the social Odyssey of a Chinese girl who starts life as a scullery maid in Limehouse, where film plot-makers have found many dramas.

Anna May Wong fills the Chinese role, and her exotic performance will probably create much discussion, but the featured players of the film are actually Gilda Gray, the American dancer who invented the "shimmy," and Jameson Thomas, the popular lead of many recent British films, notably "Poppies in Flanders."

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Jenis Brooks, son of Mr. John Brooks, 1904 H. Street, Modesto, Calif., U.S.A., suffered with typhoid fever, for two weeks under physician's and nurse's care—grew steadily worse. Mother becomes alarmed over safety of her son and is induced to try the POO ON CHINESE HERBS TREATMENT for Typhoid. Result—Instant relief and absolute cure in short time. Mrs. Brooks said:—

"My boy Jenis was in bed suffering from fever and chills, he was treated by physicians for two weeks with what they called typhoid fever, he could not eat and had severe pains in the stomach; delirious, stomach was bloated; he was kept in ice packs and rubber ice mattress and attended by a trained nurse; he did not show any improvement but became worse so other doctors were called in for consultation. They all insisted on removing boy to the hospital and did not give much hope for his recovery.

"I was recommended and insisted upon by Mrs. De Lemos to try the POO ON CHINESE HERB Treatment, as she had been cured of a complication of diseases by them.

"I made up my mind to give the POO ON CHINESE HERBS a trial; after the first day's treatment the fever was very much reduced—and he began to have an appetite and slept well at night.

After five days' treatment the fever was cured and after a few more treatments the boy was absolutely well and playing around the yard and eating heartily, and was able to go back to school, and feels as well as he never did.

Mrs. G. A. Bayes says:—"I am Positive That POO ON CHINESE HERBS and Ointment Saved My Child's Eyesight Because I tried Several Eye Specialists Before Going To POO ON. The Cure Was Simply Wonderful and I am Very Grateful.

Mrs. G. A. Bayes, 611, Third Street, Modesto Calif., U.S.A., says:—

"My little girl, 8 years old, in some way contracted a disease of the eye that was gradually making her blind. I immediately took her to an eye specialist for treatment, but there seemed no way to stop the approaching pain and blindness. I also tried a specialist in

Stockton, and Modesto. She finally grew so bad that I had to keep her in a darkened room. I kept her under constant care in the darkened room for nearly two months. A friend then told me about the Herbalist, Yee Poo Lun, and the POO ON CHINESE HERB Treatment. I had no faith in treatment of this kind, as I have tried so many kinds of treatments and doctors in vain, but in desperation I decided to try the POO ON CHINESE HERBS. At this time water was running from her eyes extensively. I gave her the POO ON CHINESE HERBS, an ointment, and some wash. At the end of a week the matter running from the eyes stopped and almost at once a marked improvement took place. She continued to improve very fast and her eyes began to clear up. A short while after I started giving her the POO ON HERBS she was entirely cured from this disease and her eyes were back to normal so that she should see as good as ever. I am certainly thankful to the Herbs and the Herbalist and am positive that POO ON HERBS Absolutely cured my child's eyes.

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SPORT AND ATHLETICS.

SCOTT AND HEENEY MAY MEET AT WEMBLEY.

Phil Scott and his manager and backer met Heenehy's manager in London last month, with a view to arranging a fight between Scott and Heenehy. The result of the discussion is that Scott and Heenehy are almost certain to meet the last week in April or the first week in May. The stake money was agreed at £2,000 a side, and this will be deposited on the signing of articles. It is stipulated that the fight shall be for the world's championship, which is open following the retirement of Gene Tunney, and also that it shall be in England. All parties consider the fight as good as made. Two places in London were put forward as the venue, and the suggestion that the Wembley Stadium should be secured for the night of April 27th—was favourably received. Heenehy's manager cabled him to arrange for Charles Harvey to accompany the New Zealander to England, and to take charge of his training. Heenehy won nine contests off the reel in America before clashing with Tunney for the world's championship. He was then defeated in the eleventh round. Heenehy received £20,000 for that fight.

It may be recalled that he has met Phil Scott twice in England, victory on each occasion going to Scott. Phil Scott returned to the ring last month after resting for a considerable time, and gained the verdict over Ted Sandwina on a foul.

ST. GEORGE'S COURSE IN FINE FETTER.

The condition of Royal St. George's course, Sandwich, for the open golf championship last year was so good as to leave no ground for criticism, but Major Ward, the secretary, backed up by his committee, are working hard to make it even better for the open amateur championship in May. During the winter a platoon of caddies—when there has been no demand for their service as carriers of clubs—has been drafted to the course, where large areas have been cleaned of that most troublesome and damaging weed known as star grass. In addition tracts of fairway have been dressed. In a general sense the fairways are very good, and the state of the putting greens in mid-winter make their own progress of development when the spring growth has come. Even now the prospect places, and in May only man could be vile in this golfer's paradise.

TYNE SCULLING MATCH.

The sculling match for £200 a-side between Bert Barry, the world's champion, and T. Tonks, of Wallingford, will take place over the Tyne championship course on March 30th. Tonks will receive 10 seconds start over the three and a quarter miles course. Tonks is expected by Tyne-siders to win, as it is claimed that in the heavier boats in which the race is to be sculled Tonks, who is slightly the heavier man, will have an advantage.

RESTRICTIONS AT GOODWOOD.

Whether the additional charges for admission to the Goodwood racecourse will prove effective from a financial point of view remains to be seen. On any other racecourse they would be exceedingly unpopular. At Goodwood, where successive Dukes of Richmond have reigned for so long, things are rather different, and visitors who otherwise might resent the innovation will not fail to remember that in all probability no one regrets the necessity for making it more than the Duke himself. It is proposed that some charge shall be made for admission to an enclosure on the slopes of Trundle Hill, a point of vantage from which people have been able to enjoy a splendid view of the racing free of any charge.

Owing to the enlargement of the paddock and the provision of a new motor enclosure on the opposite side with the consequent lessening of the width of the course to the west of the winning-post, it will not be possible to allow the public access to the course at any time during the hours of racing. It may be that this curtailment of their privileges is unavoidable, but many of them will feel that they are being deprived of what has all along been to them a great attraction, for they will no longer be able to line up along the railings between the races in the hope of getting a glimpse of the King and Queen, the Duke himself, and the host of nobilities who make a point of attending a meeting unique in character and the beauty of its surroundings.

The United States Automobile Association announces that J. M. White, owner of the 36-cylinder Triplex Special, on which the present record of 307.45 miles an hour was set up by Ray Keech at Daytona Beach last year, intends to send his car down to Florida again this spring. R. de Palma, who put up the first record at Daytona in 1919 (149.875 m.p.h.), is expected to drive the car.

IN THEIR FATHERS' FOOTSTEPS.

Athletic talent is undoubtedly hereditary. The Crawleys at Harrow School have for half a century been prominent in various branches of sport. A curious instance occurs this term. R. H. Bull is the captain of football, and his father, Major H. Bull, was in the XI of 1890. Bull will have the assistance of A. R. Ramsay, whose father Mr. R. C. Ramsay was in the football XI of 1879, and of D. A. M. Rome, the son of Col. C. S. Rome, who was captain of football in 1892, and also captain of cricket. Other prominent members of the XI whom Bull will lead are E. L. Richards and G. W. Morgan Jones, members of last year's team.

NEW FENCING BADGE.

The annual general meeting of the Amateur Fencing Association was held in London last month. Lord Howard de Walden, the president of the association, was re-elected. The association has now adopted a new Tudor Rose badge which may be worn by any gentleman or lady amateur fencer who has represented Great Britain in the Olympic Games or England in any International match.

LONDON UNIVERSITY SWIMMING.

After being moribund for two years, the London University Swimming Club has been reconstituted, and, judging by the quality of the new material available, it will turn out a team of exceptionally high merit.

C. W. Outley (King's), the Cambridge captain of 1924, has been elected captain of the London U.S.C. He has arranged for trials to be held this term, and apart from a large number of old colours who are still up the following newcomers are eligible for the trials:—R. J. Sutton (Barts), the Southern sprint champion and international water polo player; Keith Kirkland (London), the Australian sprinter who represented the Commonwealth at the Olympic Games at Antwerp in 1920; E. Crocio (University College), a speedy Italian who returned 68sec. for 100 metres in the Italian championships last year; C. K. Vardon (Barts) and J. H. Wagstaff (University College), two fast swimmers who have come down from Bishop's Stortford College; and A. Bolton (University College), a promising novice who has made remarkable progress during the last three months.

MAINLY FOR THE MEN.

A super tailor has arrived in London. He comes from Rome, and travels with a great retinue, occupying a magnificent suite at one of the most expensive hotels. He takes orders only from those he fancies. To be measured by him is a sartorial honour.

Actually he dresses every Roman of note and his creations adorn the forms of such modern Beau Brummels as Captain Healey, a member of the firm of Knoedler & Co., the art dealers, Douglas Fairbanks, and Mr. Haseltine, the animal sculptor. And there is an interesting story connected with the suits this super tailor made for Douglas Fairbanks.

He had never seen the great film actor except on the screen, but his eye (it is said) was so trained that he was able to judge "Doug's" proportions and measurements to within a fraction of an inch.

He made the suit, and asked Mr. Fairbanks to try it on when he was in Paris. It fitted like a glove.

"Doug" was so pleased that he immediately ordered forty suits.

Mr. F. J. Wiltach, the American theatrical manager, who collects similes as others collect stamps or Chippendale furniture, has gleamed a very fair sherd for 1928. Mr. H. L. Mencken is represented by "Alone as a Methodist in Bavaria." Those hosts of the Mayor of New York on his recent visit whose programmes were disturbed by his unpunctuality will appreciate "As long as a wait for Mayor Walker." "As out of date as the rustle of a skirt." "Scarce as a stenographer with cotton stockings." "As safe from arrest as a New York gangster." "As steady as the Leviathan in dry dock." "As empty as the library in an Elks' club." are other examples. The ironist is evidently practising his art in "As noisily as an eel gliding through a pool of oil." "About as necessary as another leg to a centipede," and "As much visibility as a fly in a bottle of ink."

Mr. John Massfield has lost a friend by the death of Luke O'Connor, who was a seaman in Greenwich Village, New York City, when Mr. Massfield was stranded in New York thirty years ago. Luke

O'Connor gave the now famous poet a job, and Mr. Massfield, when he was in New York last, freely acknowledged that help.

Naval tradition has just scored a success over modern ideas, and pea-soup is the emblem of victory. Within living memory the only qualification necessary for the cook of a man-of-war was the loss of an eye or a limb in the country's service. The ships' galleys of the fleet were manned direct from the Naval Hospital at Greenwich by seamen pensioners, who dealt with their salt pork and weevily biscuits aided solely by the vocabulary for which they were famous. Nowadays naval cooks are specially entered as youths and undergo an intensive training in the use of all the most modern types of ovens and appliances in the depots before going to sea. Advanced training courses render the more experienced men competent to achieve dainty concoctions which would not disgrace the chefs of noted hotels.

Naturally the men of the lower deck have benefited enormously, and they have grown accustomed to expect well-cooked food varied beyond the means of many middle-class families. The cooks have been encouraged to attempt still more ambitious menus. At Chatham Barracks recently a daring experiment was made. The pea-soup which has nourished a hundred generations of seamen was tentatively cut from the bill of fare. Sentiment may or may not have influenced them, but from the messes there came a prompt and unanimous protest. The old friend reappeared, and in future the scientifically calculated scales of food values will have to be adjusted to make way for pea-soup.

Reference to a new scheme for an interchange of hospitality between the Manchester Athenaeum and kindred institutions and clubs in various parts of the world is made in the 93rd annual report. The object is to enable members of the Athenaeum, when visiting other towns in England, or throughout the world, to enjoy on presentation of their membership cards the benefit of temporary membership of a kindred institution or club.

Although the scheme is not yet properly in its stride, agreement to co-operate has come from a number of similar institutions in England and Scotland, while the British Sports Club at Constantinople and the Cercle Cécilia at Ostend are the first of the co-operating institutions abroad.

According to a London journalist who specialises in news and comment concerning social affairs, Prince George scoops slightly as he dances, and his left hand, which has a signet ring on the little finger, clasps his partner rather higher than that of the average dancer. He favours plain white pearl studs in his shirt front, and wore a higher collar and a larger bowtie than anybody else present.

The most orthodox dancer of our Princes is the Duke of York. He studies the floor carefully before he ventures on its polished surface, and then proceeds to "dance himself in" by a series of quiet and unostentatious rounds on the outer edge of the floor.

The Prince of Wales, on the other hand, has a far more enthusiastic style. He grips his partner firmly, and his steps and side-turns—which he performs with no little agility—are so obviously pleasing to him that they would disarm the sternest critic. Occasionally he stamps his foot loudly on the ground, and stops, when the music ceases, with evident reluctance.

The sliding seat, which Oxford has at last decided to adopt in her boat for the centenary race, first came into existence in the seventies, but its use was for a long time prohibited in public school races at Henley. The ban led to some ingenious subterfuges, as when, in 1881, the Bedford crew had slabs of shiny oilskin sewn on the seats of their trousers and rubbed the seats of the boat with soft soap, thus getting much the same advantage as is given by a sliding seat. They wrote to the Regatta secretary asking if this would be considered a breach of the law against sliding seats, and were told that the regulation merely insisted that the seats should be fixed, and said nothing for or against sliding on them. So Bedford slid merrily at Henley, and easily won the cup.

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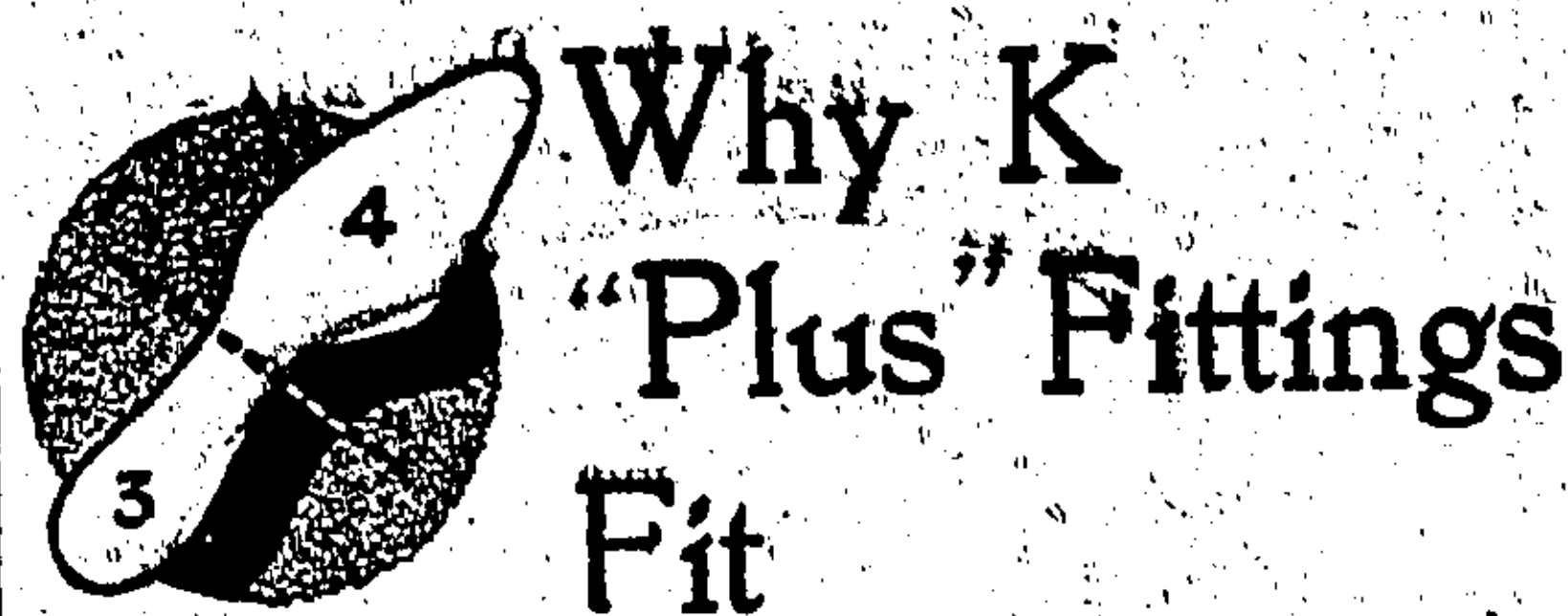
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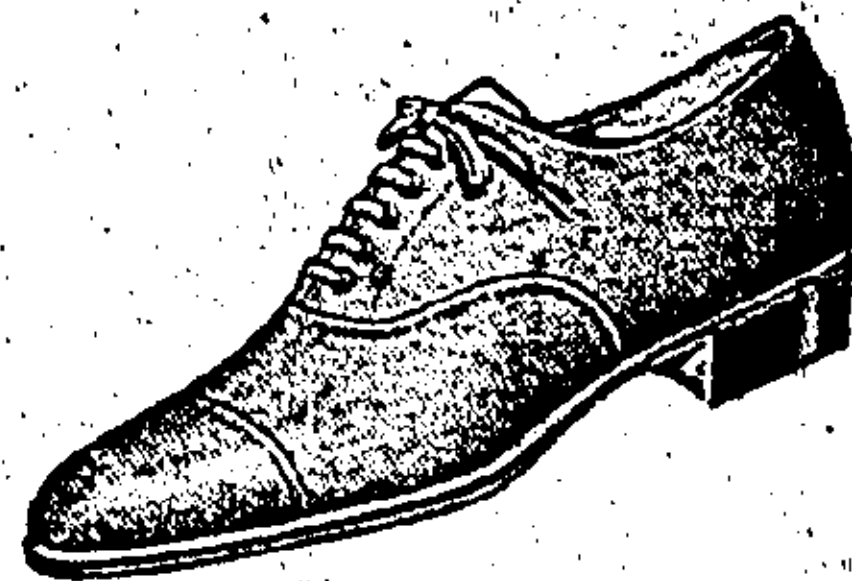
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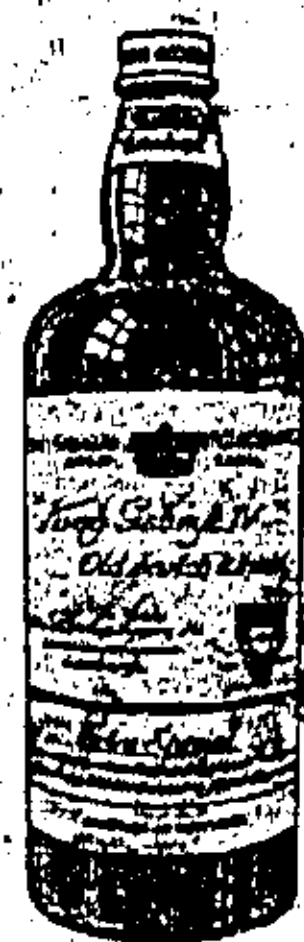
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PROF. C. A. MIDDLETON-SMITH AT ENGINEERS' INSTITUTE.

H.E. the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., LL.D. (Hon. President), presided at a lecture entitled, "Cold in the Tropics: the Possibility of Manufactured Weather," delivered by Prof. C. A. Middleton-Smith, M.Sc., M.I. Mech. E., in the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hong Kong last evening.

The Speaker said that civilisation was the use of efficient intellectual methods for the reduction of the forces of Nature to the service of man. "It is," he said, "the substitution of intellectual and moral agencies for physical force in the struggle with the animate and inanimate in Nature."

Mr. Middleton-Smith continued:—The first requisite for efficient intellectual work is freedom from mental discomfort. When the dweller in the tropics built the first hut that sheltered him from the glare of the sun, and kept out pestilential insects, he secured for himself better conditions for intellectual efforts. It is obvious that every device that reduces mental distress, from the reinforced concrete house to the mosquito curtain, also improves human welfare in the tropics. The advantages of manufactured weather in Hong Kong to the intellectual worker once experienced, will never be willingly surrendered.

Artificial Lighting and Snow.

Where there was ancient civilisation, life, in the main features, differed not a great deal for many centuries, said the lecturer. Men and women toiled, using muscular energy to do the work of the world. Now-a-days the heat supplied by coal and oil supplies the energy needed for transport, manufacturing and other purposes. In the last two or three centuries man has acquired a wider knowledge of the world and of the larger universe, than in all the sixty or a hundred centuries preceding. The old civilisations were static. The civilisation of to-day is dynamic.

It is nearly ninety years ago that the first effort to make the barren island, known as Hong Kong, into a trading centre was made. The problems associated with the task of making it more healthy, prosperous, and therefore more pleasant, were and are problems of applied science. We can, of course, purchase machine-made ice. That is an advantage that dates back only about fifty years. It is something, but no means all that satisfies the scientist. It is possible, to-day, to produce manufactured weather. Then why is it not done in Hong Kong?

Invention and Expense.

The problem that always faces the practical engineer is that of expense but we may well be hopeful that the cost of manufactured weather will be greatly reduced in the not too distant future. If the cost worked out at, say \$700 a year, many people would be willing to pay that sum for such a boon. It will certainly come in time.

In order to obtain the air that is necessary for ideal weather conditions we must, by mechanical methods control four factors. We must regulate (1) Humidity, (2) Temperature, (3) Movement, or air circulation, (4) Purity. Of these factors by far the most important from the point of view of personal comfort and human efficiency in Hong Kong, is humidity. That is the factor that makes our summer climate so trying, for the air contains a great deal of moisture in suspension. We have to get rid of that excessive moisture in order to make the atmosphere more pleasant. We can only do that by pumping heat out of the moist air, then the vapour condenses into water and no longer remains suspended in the air.

There is a very great range of temperature of the air on this planet. Our bodies are at a temperature of about 98° F. According to the air temperature and the clothes we wear so do we feel hot and cold.

Experiments have shown that the human machine works at its best, is most efficient, when the temperature of the air is 70° F. and the humidity is forty. With humidity at forty each cubic foot of air contains 3.2 grains of moisture. Unfortunately in Hong Kong during the summer the air is usually at a temperature of about 85° F. and the humidity is 70. The air contains as much as 13 grains of moisture in suspension (humidity 100).

The only way that we can change that atmosphere into the ideal atmosphere of 70° F. and humidity forty, is by pumping out a considerable amount of heat from each cubic foot of air. Most of the work done would be expended in pumping out heat from the water vapour, so that about nine grains of water per cubic foot of air would condense into water.

Although the temperature of the body is about 98° F., the body owner likes best to be in air at about 70° F. humidity 40. The body produces heat, and air at 70° F. and humidity 40, carries the heat away from the body in comfort.

Fifty or sixty years ago the only method of obtaining cool in Hong Kong was by importing ice from the Far North. Where Ice House Street now is there was a small inlet of

the sea and ice-ships came alongside to discharge great blocks of ice into godowns. The godowns have been pulled down but it is said that people still occasionally shiver in Ice House Street. (Laughter.)

Fans not Scientific.

The only general method of cooling people in Hong Kong is by fans. There are upwards of 40,000 electric fans in Hong Kong. Fans are better than nothing, but they are a poor substitute for manufactured weather.

Cold Producers.

It was in 1852 that Kelvin suggested a mechanical method of producing cold and in 1863 Kirk made the model of an air machine. One of Kirk's earliest machines worked in an ice factory in Hong Kong and produced 4 lbs. of ice for 1 lb. of coal. It was very bulky.

If we compress a gas in a machine we increase the heat in it. If we expand a gas we decrease the heat in it. The air and other cooling machines work that way.

It has been mentioned that the first ice machine in Hong Kong produced 4 lbs. of ice per lb. of coal. There have been such improvements in ice-making plants and in the production of power that for a plant for making ice under modern conditions we can obtain better results than 7½ lbs. of ice for one pound of coal.

Cold in the House.

So far as the ordinary householder is concerned it is not so much the progress in connection with the local central coal production factory that has been noticed, although engineers know of the cost reductions in the ice and cold storage depots. It is the household cold production machine, the Kelvinator, the Frigidaire and the Electrolux plants, that interest us. We have now reached that stage where there are in this Colony about 300 cold production machines at work in houses and clubs. And that is only the beginning.

Let it be said at once that these small machines cannot possibly produce cold as economically as the large machines in the central cold factory; but householders are well pleased with them. It is certain that at no very distant date they will become as common a fitting in a well regulated household as a gas cooker or an electric fire. There are three improvements which, when they come about, will place these machines within the reach of a much greater number of householders.

One is a reduction in the price of electrical energy.

The second improvement will be a reduction in the initial cost of the cold production machine.

The third improvement is in connection with the machine itself. Some entirely new principle will be evolved to make it possible to produce more cold for the same expenditure of power or heat. There is the demand and the supply will come.

As a mere speculation let us suggest a turbine type of compressor, or heat pump, run at high speed by an electric motor. In these days nobody is satisfied with reciprocating engines and pumps. Many experiments are being made with the turbine type of heat pump and there is reason to believe that they will be successful.

Ice Without a Machine.

A most remarkable stage in cold production is the new "Electrolux" plant. There is no moving mechanism whatever. An electric heater or a gas flame supplies the heat needed to raise the temperature (and so the pressure) of the heat carrier which, in this case, is ammonia. Ordinary tap-water, or sea water, carries away the heat at that stage of the proceedings when it is required to pump out heat from the heat carrier (ammonia) after which the ammonia is allowed to expand and cold is at once produced.

This clever invention is very simple. At first, sight it appears that at last we have all that is required to produce cold in the houses so that we can always in summer have ideal atmosphere of air temperature 70° F. and humidity 40.

Unfortunately this apparatus uses quite a lot of heat for the production of cold. There is also the cost of cooling water. The other household cold producers, the Frigidaire and the Kelvinator, use a current of air to cool the heat carrier, so there is no expense of water. We may be permitted to imagine a supply of liquid ammonia pumped through pipes to our houses from the cold factory. It is easier to imagine than was the vision of a supply of coal-gas, electric power, and telephones to houses a hundred years ago. We could collect the money for the scheme to-morrow if we could get a sufficient number of people to guarantee a sufficient consumption of cold from the ammonia.

Before it found its way back again to the cold factory through pipes, no longer a liquid but a gas, having been boiled off by the heat from our rooms, it would have done all that we asked of it. It would have abstracted the heat from our rooms and manufactured the weather we desire.

It is obvious that such a system would have a better chance where there would be a fairly steady demand for about the same supply of liquid ammonia, in other words the cold producer, each day of the year. In Hong Kong there would be no demand on many days of the year.

It should be explained that except for leakages, the ammonia would be used over and over again. It would enter the house in pipes as a liquid, at atmospheric temperature and about 180 lbs. pressure; and leave it as a gas at a much lower pressure and temperature. An enterprising capitalist could use this system in a block of flats. The cold production machine could liquify the ammonia in the basement.

Manufactured Weather.

It would cost about \$25,000 for the requisite machinery to be purchased and installed in Hong Kong. With electric power at five cents a unit it might cost as much as \$1,500 a year to run the machinery, making an allowance for depreciation and repairs. It might cost less. Only experiments with local conditions can decide the actual cost.

For a small drawing room in a house the cost would be less, especially if the house were designed to accommodate these ideas. A house is a more difficult affair because of the sub-division into rooms and the many doors.

We have considered the cost of manufacture of more or less ideal weather, viz., air at seventy degrees F. temperature and humidity 40. We should benefit from any conditioning of the air; a drop in ten degrees temperature and less humidity helps a great deal.

In the following case a generous allowance has been made for heat leakage from outside into the room. The walls are not reckoned to be insulated. Calculations show that it should be possible to keep an ordinary room at a temperature ten degrees below the outside air temperature, and at humidity 20 below the outside air humidity with the following equipment. There would be two small freezing plants each using a ½ horse power motor and suitable expansion coils; also a small fan for taking air out of the room and passing some of it over the coils before sending it back to them. A certain amount of fresh air should be supplied from outside and this would have to be cooled and de-humidified before being mixed with the air that has been withdrawn from the room and cooled. At the most only about ten per cent. outside air has to be so treated.

The actual cost of installing such a plant in Hong Kong is about \$8,000. During the summer months it would probably have to work ten hours a day; the cost for electric power on this assumption being \$1 a day. It would possibly cost about \$900 a year for electric power; probably less.

Such a plant is fitted with thermostat arrangements so that the machine stops when the temperature of the room falls below that fixed. The machine automatically starts up when the temperature of the room is above that for which the thermostat is fixed.

A very remarkable feature of this machinery is the reliability of operation. Motor-car engines are, now-a-days, very reliable. They cannot, however, be compared with these automatic cold producing plants for reliability. Some of these automatic plants have been in operation for several years without being touched.

The proof of the statement that these machines are already being appreciated in Hong Kong is the number that have recently replaced the very unhygienic ice box. They have always given satisfaction.

If additional proof were needed it is found in the sales record of domestic electric refrigerators in America. In 1914 the number was 600; in 1918 it was 1,400; in 1922 it was 10,000; in 1926 it was 250,000; and in 1928 it was 550,000! As many as 750,000 machines of one make have been sold in various countries. There are now at least twenty different types of such machines.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

DOUBLE ATTRACTION
TO-MORROW.

Sam Ku West and his Harmony Trio open a short season at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow. The young Hawaiian made his first public appearance at Proctors Theatre, New York early in 1922. The concert was followed by immediate booking all over America. Miss Aida Kawakami, a clever Japanese dancer, will also appear in a number of classical dances. The feature film is Syd Chaplin's latest comedy "Skirts." Seats may be booked in-advance at the theatre.



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A DEFAULTING EX-MAYOR.**WANTED BY CANTON GOVERNMENT.****ONE OF CHANG-FAT FU'S SATELLITES.****[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]**

CANTON, March 8th.

The Provincial Government has issued a formal order for the arrest of Kan Nai Kuang, Mayor of Canton, in the notorious regime of Wong Ki Cheung and Chang Fat Fui just before, and for a little while after the great Communist upheaval of December, 1927.

After Kan had been bundled out of the place with the rest of the semi-Communist horde it was alleged that he had defrauded the Municipality of \$100,000 by means of a series of systematic forgeries. The case was gone into by the High Court of Canton which proclaimed Kan Nai Kuang guilty.

It is alleged that he took himself and his loot to America, but that he has since returned to China. He was said to have been in Hong Kong for a time and later in Shanghai. The Provincial Government is very anxious to get him back to Canton, and if he is located in any foreign concession extradition proceedings will be started against him.

A HATED TAX ABOLISHED.

People in Canton, especially the poorer classes, are delighted at the news that the Government will abolish the ferry tax from the 21st of this month. This tax, which was imposed a year ago has always been regarded with special hatred by the working people. The old fare for a sampan across the river was half a cent, but the Government raised it to a cent and took the difference.

The sum involved though small to well off people was a real hardship to the coolie class. The half fare rate is to be restored and the Yau Sun Tax Collecting Company will no longer have to remit to the Government the sum due in exchange for the right of levying the tax.

NEWS BREVITIES.

Marshal Li Tsai Hsin is organising a special Officers Training Corps. It will be enlisted from officers disbanded under the present demobilisation scheme, and they will be put through a course of two years' training, receiving all the while their usual salaries. General Li Yang King will be in command and they will occupy the Whampoa Military Academy, though later new quarters will be built at Yintong.

Native bankers of Canton have secured the sanction of the Department of Reconstruction for the formation of a Banking Union. A complete roll of the members and impressions of their respective chops are to be furnished the Department.

At the request of Marshal Li Tsai Hsin, General Chen Ming Shu, who had intended to leave Canton for Nanking on the 4th inst. has delayed his departure, and will start for the Capital on the 15th inst.

It is reported that the Canton Aviation Bureau has placed an order with an American firm for a Fokker airplane, and its delivery is expected in about two months' time. The plane will be a nine-place machine, and will be equipped for both day and night flying. The cost is said to be about \$70,000. A non-stop flight is being planned, with this machine, from Canton to Mukden. It would take twenty-two hours.

General Cheung Wai Jung, head of the Canton Aviation Bureau is to make a three months visit to America, Britain, France and Germany to study aviation in those countries. He is expected to start at the end of this month.

ANNIVERSARY OF SUN YAT SEN'S DEATH.**CANTON'S ELABORATE PREPARATIONS.****[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]**

CANTON, March 8th.

Elaborate preparations are being made by the Canton Government in honour of the anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, who passed away on March 12th, 1925, in Peking.

The date in question, next Tuesday, has been proclaimed a general holiday and the Kuomintang has arranged a series of meetings in public parks, the schools and Government buildings, at which lengthy addresses will be given on the life and teaching of the late leader.

Handbills and pamphlets have been printed in huge numbers, while posters and banners printed with appropriate slogans will be displayed all over Canton, a sum of \$1,500 having been appropriated for expenses.

No cinema, opera or other forms of public entertainment will be permitted that day.

THE DIOCESAN CONFERENCE.**CLAUSES IN PROPOSED CONSTITUTION DISCUSSED.****MONUMENTS IN CHURCHES, ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.**

The meeting of the Diocesan conference was continued yesterday afternoon in the Cathedral Hall. Various points in the proposed draft of the constitution of the Church of England Diocesan conference were discussed and decisions arrived at.

Allocation of Church Funds.

There was considerable difference of opinion on the question of allocation of Church funds. According to the proposed constitution the Executive Committee of the Diocese is to be empowered "To prepare a budget for each year and to raise the money budgeted for by apportioning quotas to each Church, the budget to include such subjects as:

- (a) Sinking Fund for Church extension.
- (b) Endowment Fund for new Churches.
- (c) Grant towards central Diocesan expenses.
- (d) Grant towards the missionary work of the diocese and beyond.

The difficulty arose on account of a doubt on the part of several members if this did or did not mean that the money for missionary work should go through a central clearing house, i.e., the Executive Committee, and be allocated by them as they thought fit without consulting the individual or church who might have been the donor of the money. The difficulty was settled by changing the words in clause (d) to "the missionary work of the Church."

The Dean suggested that as the Executive Committee proved its value individual bodies would undoubtedly voluntarily submit their proposed allocations to that body. The decision arrived at was that there was no obligation on the part of any Church or individual, who had money to give to missionary endeavour, to give the money via the Executive Committee.

Monuments in the Church.

There was considerable discussion also on the question of the advisability of having an advisory committee to assist the Bishop in all questions relating to any material alterations or additions affecting a church or its ornaments. It was felt that a committee of 8, as was laid down in the draft of the constitution, were too many and that there might be difficulties in getting them to meet. It was suggested that while the Bishop was qualified to judge correctly on artistic questions with regard to monuments, etc., his successors might not be. A proposal was made that the Bishop himself should choose a small committee.

The Bishop proposed that the conference should elect two persons whom the Bishop may if he wishes summon to assist him. It was finally decided to delete the clause (clause x.).

Name of the Conference.

The Rev. W. T. Featherstone then proposed that the conference should be called the St. John's Cathedral Church Conference not the Church of England Diocesan Conference. He felt that it was a great mistake to make a differentiation between the Church of England and the Church of China by unnecessary emphasis on an unnecessary title.

The Rev. Blanchette supported this and suggested a return to the old title, the Victoria Diocesan conference.

It was decided to postpone the discussion on this point to the extraordinary meeting.

The adoption of the constitution as a whole was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned until Monday, March 18th, at 5.15.

KWANGTUNG DEMOBILISING.**LOCAL GENERAL'S OPTIMISM ABOUT HUNAN.****[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]**

CANTON, March 8th.

In spite of all rumours to the contrary the Government is firmly of opinion that the trouble in Hunan is a local matter, which will be patched up locally. General Hsu King Tong, C-in-C. of the 8th Army and Rehabilitation Commissioner for East Kwangtung, said to-day, in the course of an interview with local pressmen, that while the Political Council acted illegally from a technical point of view in ousting General Lu Ti Ping, they had no alternative to that course.

The appointment of Marshal Li Tsai Hsin, General Li Chang Jen and Mr. Tsai Yuen Pei as a committee to effect an amicable settlement gives an indication of Nanking's attitude.

*(Continued at foot of next column.)***COMPRADORE WINS CASE.****IMPORTANT JUDGMENT ON CHEQUE PAYMENT.****THE CONVERSION OF THE MAJESTIC THEATRE.**

Before Mr. Justice Wood in the Summary Court yesterday afternoon, an American merchant named C. G. Gregory sued Leung Ki Lo, a compradore, of Princes Building, Hong Kong, for \$121, the balance due for work done and materials supplied in converting the Majestic Theatre to a cinema.

Plaintiff said he undertook, in October, 1928, to carry out the necessary work in connection with the conversion. The total expenditure incurred was \$1,253. He had received nine payments on various occasions and \$121.50 was still due to him. He had not agreed to waive that balance.

Unstamped Receipts.

In the beginning of December last he received the sum of \$122 from defendant. This constituted the last of the nine payments.

Cross-examined by Mr. Russ, plaintiff said he was a broker, although he was described on the writ as a merchant. He had no office or business premises.

Mr. Russ: Aren't you one of those men who hang about Ice House Street?—No. I buy things at auctions for people.

What are you doing now?—Nothing.

Do you realise that none of the receipts you signed were stamped?—Defendant took the receipts from me.

Addressing His Lordship, Mr. Russ observed that he had heard a very well-known and learned advocate remark that a cheque given in full payment was a bar to further action. Plaintiff had accepted the cheque from defendant, and if His Lordship accepted the view of the advocate who had obtained favourable judgment on that point, then the defence would have no case to answer.

Mr. Russ, Senior, "Caught Out."

"As a matter of fact," said Mr. Russ, "my father was the solicitor in charge of a case and had agreed to accept costs from the other side. In his absence, his managing clerk accepted a cheque for the costs. As the cheque did not include interest, my father sued for the interest but the learned judge accepted the view I have already mentioned."

Plaintiff alleged that he did not write the words "in full settlement" on the receipt, nor were they on the receipt when he signed it.

Mr. Russ: You have a Bible in your hand. Can you swear it?—Yes.

Mr. Bennett, for plaintiff, proceeded to cross-examine Gregory.

Mr. Bennett: Has it been easy to obtain payment from defendant? Plaintiff: Very difficult.

You have had to ask for the money on each occasion?—Yes.

Unsatisfactory Work.

Giving evidence, defendant said that plaintiff rendered an account for \$1,253 but he disputed it. Plaintiff did not render a proper account but only showed defendant a paper and took it back again. Plaintiff did not repudiate any of the accounts until the final one was rendered.

The work plaintiff had done was not satisfactory although, up to the end of December defendant had paid him \$1,010 on account. Even if the work had been properly done he would have considered defendant's account for \$1,253 to have been overcharged. The actual amount agreed upon was \$1,100 but some curtains were of inferior material and were unlined, while other materials were also shoddy.

Mr. Bennett pointed out that plaintiff had not made any profit from the job. All he was asking for was to be paid money he had spent out of his own pocket on the job. It was not suggested that defendant did not believe the unstamped documents to be proper receipts.

A Chinese witness said he was present in defendant's office when the final payment was made to plaintiff. Witness had brought the parties together and, on plaintiff's behalf, had asked defendant to make a payment in final settlement of the account. Therefore, he was under the impression that the cheque represented full settlement.

Judgment was entered for defendant with costs.

Meanwhile, so far from "mobilising," General Hsu is continuing the disbandment of "superfluous troops." He has been receiving \$500,000 a month from the Provincial Treasury, but after March 18th he will only get \$320,000, as his forces should be reduced by then.

The General is to proceed to Nanking for the Kuomintang Conference in a few days.

RUNNING FIGHT IN YAUMATI.**THREE CHILDREN BADLY WOUNDED.****SHOTS BETWEEN FUGITIVE AND POLICE.****HUNTED MAN'S ESCAPE.**

Three revolvers and some personal property were stolen from the European police officers' rooms at the Wanchai Police Station on Thursday night. The police soon arrested the thief, a dismissed "boy," formerly at the Station, who knew where the arms were kept. Some valuable information was given by this man to the effect that others were connected with the theft of the firearms, and he volunteered to recover the firearms and point out the guilty parties.

The man took a number of police officers and Chinese detectives, including Detective Inspector Lane, Sub-Inspector Murphy, and Detective Sergeant Henderson, to King's Park, Kowloon, yesterday morning, where two of the missing revolvers were found.

The party then proceeded to Yaumati Police Station, and when passing Pitt Street at about 10.45 a.m., the "boy" pointed out a man, dressed in white, who was "pouched" on a stool eating a meal at one of the wayside restaurants. He was not, however, so concentrated on his meal that he could not keep a look out and as soon as he spotted the police as they entered the street he left his stool and bolted. Being dressed in white he was easily distinguishable, and the police giving chase kept him in sight, although he had a full hundred yards start on them. He led his pursuers into Hamilton Street and Dundas Street, thence into Scavenging Lane and towards the waterfront. He was armed with a revolver, which the police believe to be the still missing firearm belonging to Traffic Sergeant Kelly, and pausing in his flight at intervals he fired at his pursuers a number of times.

The three European officers returned the fire, but, according to their statements, they did not shoot until the fugitive turned into Scavenging Lane, where there was scarcely anyone about.

The chase went on into Canton Road and the fugitive suddenly turned up Sai Street, where the police lost sight of him.

Three Children Hit.

A number of small children gathered round a water hydrant at the corner of Dundas Street and Scavenging Lane were most unfortunately in the line of fire, and three of them were shot. It is not known who fired the shots which hit the children, as both fugitive and pursuers were using their revolvers freely, and the police have as yet made no statement on the matter.

One Girl Seriously Wounded.

The three children who were shot were Wong Mui Tsai, a girl, 10 years of age; Leung Mui, a girl of 12, and Chan Kan, a boy of ten. The younger girl was hit by a shot which entered her jaw, and passed right through her neck. She was immediately taken to the Kowloon Hospital where an operation was performed. She was unconscious and very little hope was entertained of her recovery. However, the wound proved less serious than expected and by yesterday afternoon the little girl had regained consciousness. She was able to talk a little and took a little liquid nourishment. The hospital have now every hope of her recovery.

Leung Mui, the other girl age 12, was taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital. She received three shot wounds and her escape from death was almost miraculous. She has a hole through her right leg just above the knee, and two other bullet wounds, very close to each other, on the upper right arm.

Our representative saw the little girl, sharing a wooden bed with another patient at the hospital. She said that she was getting water from the hydrant at the time.

The boy was hit in the calf of his right leg and said that he also was getting water from the hydrant. He could not say who fired the shot, as he was hit from behind.

The boy and girl are not in any danger.

A Lost Cheque Book.

Among the articles stolen from the European Sergeants' rooms at the Wanchai Police Station was a cheque book on Barclay's Bank, London, the property of Traffic Sergeant F. H. Kelly. As nothing was found in the possession of the arrested "boy," it is possible that it was thrown away by the fugitive. If any one should find it they are asked to communicate at once with Sergt. Kelly at the Wanchai Police Station.

CORRESPONDENCE.**THE MOTOR-BUS FRANCHISE.****[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]**

SIR,—I have read with much interest your leader of the 6th inst. on the subject of "Transportation," and thoroughly agree with you that the complaint voiced at the recent Tramway Company's General Meeting should be closely investigated.

To quote your remarks:—

"If the narrowness of a thoroughfare is good and sufficient reason for refusing one application for permission to run a service, it should be the determining factor in dealing with an application from another quarter."

I claim that the public should know what has been going on behind the scenes, and be informed what was the reason for the discrimination. The subject should be thoroughly investigated, otherwise we shall never know where we are in this Colony if the Government think fit to play fast and loose in matters which are apt to involve investors in terrific losses.—Yours, etc.

PLAYFAIR.

Hong Kong, March 8th.

FACT AND FICTION IN THEOLOGY.**[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]**

SIR,—Your correspondent "R.B." speaks of the "known facts" about Christ as opposed to theories, and describes Christ's teaching as "reasonable, sensible, and hard as nails."

"R.B." is a bold man, but I will be as bold, and say there are no "known facts" about Christ. There are theories, there are fables, there are narratives purporting to be those of eye-witnesses, though actually written a century after the incidents described, but there are no facts—only theories. What is believed and what is rejected depends entirely upon the degree of critical examination applied. No magistrate would convict a culprit upon such evidence. The Church itself has rejected much of it, but why the accepted Gospels should be regarded as less apocryphal than the Apocrypha only a Christian can attempt to explain.

As for Christ's teaching being reasonable and sensible, "R.B." evidently has not stopped to examine the accepted records very closely. If he had, he would have found many unreasonable and senseless things; even the Bishop of Gloucester admits that "sometimes His commands seem mutually contradictory," impossible in practice, and cannot be fulfilled literally. The Bishop, of course, knows that the "teachings" in the four Gospels do not agree with each other. And no doubt he knows that the Egyptians had a code of ethics 4,000 years before Christ which contained all the essentials usually supposed to make a "Good Christian."

The statement by "R.B." that Christian persecution stopped in the 17th century is so staggeringly inaccurate that a column of your space would be filled with even a brief refutation. Religious persecution has been stopped only when and where the civil law has become stronger than the authority of the Church. Let "R.B." ask a Jew whether Christian persecution still goes on.

Let me conclude by protesting against the unkind and uncalled-for "bite at the fruits of Rationalism" in Hong Kong. If the R.P.A. had funds similarly placed at its command, it would be able to give "R.B." an opportunity of comparing its humanitarian ideals with the institutions he mentions. Meanwhile, how many Christians in this Colony have followed Christ's teaching and sold all they have and given the proceeds to the poor? The miners' fund is still open!—Yours, etc., J.

Hong Kong, March 8th.

[We wish to remind correspondents that long letters are less likely to be perused by the average reader than short ones. It should be possible to state one's case within the space of half a column, and correspondents will be serving their own interests and ours by keeping within that limit.—Ed.]

THE TRADITIONAL MADONNA.**[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]**

SIR,—Satirev" in his letter published in your issue of Thursday says that the model for pictures of the Virgin in all ages from Raphael to Reynolds was an early Roman portrait of a courtesan named Gergane.

He mentions the Madonnas of Raphael, Titian, and Corregio to prove his contention—and thereby disproves it. It needs no special art training to see that these three artists were not working from a traditional model but from a personal conception. Raphael's Madonna (Continued at foot of next column.)

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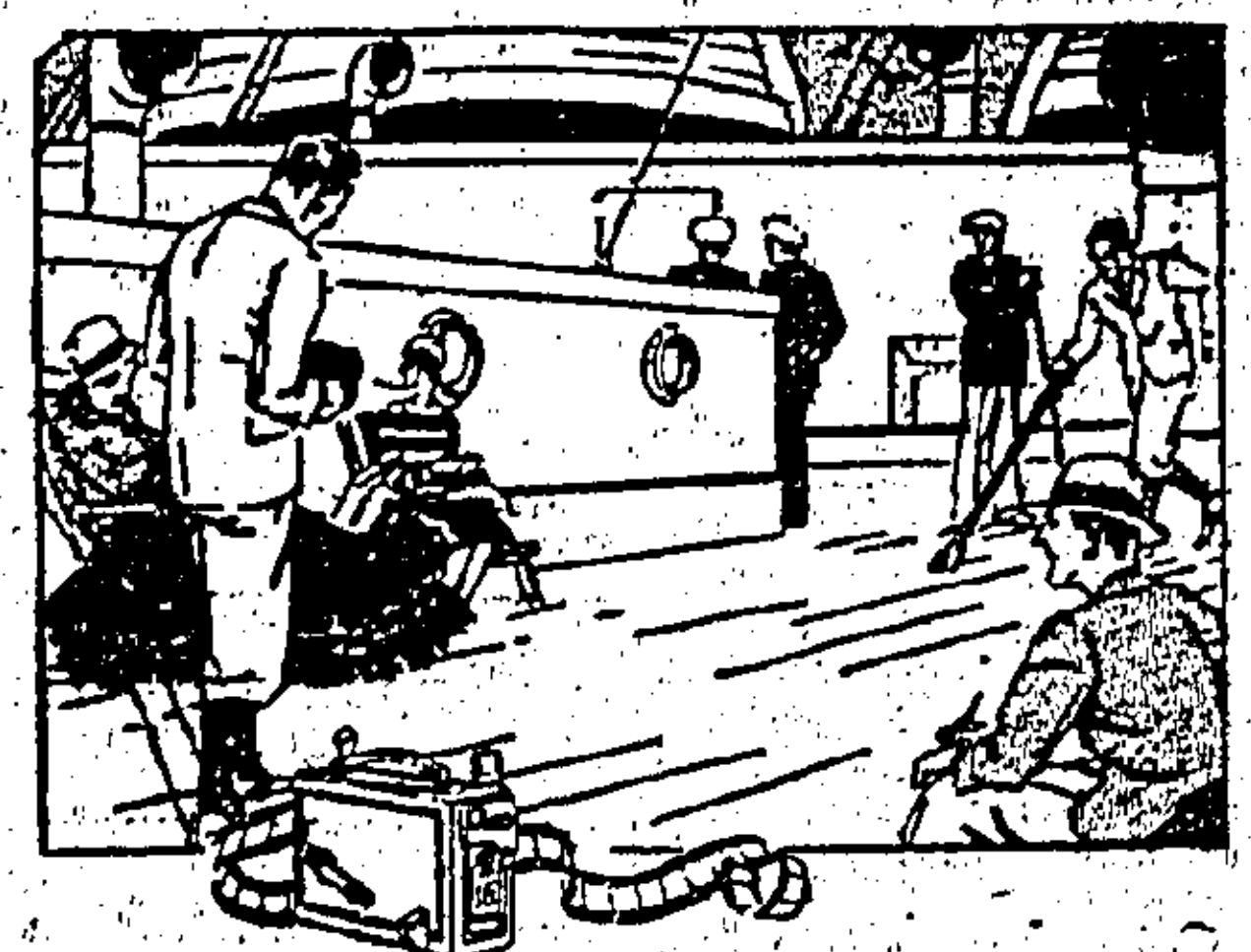
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Hong Kong, March 8th.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONG KONG WATERWORKS.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the 11th ANNUAL MEETING of the City District Council will be held on MONDAY, the 11th MARCH, 1929, at 8 A.M. The usual business will be available from 6 A.M. to 10 P.M.

HAROLD T. GREASY,
Water Authority.
Public Works Dept.,
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1929. [7503]

NOTICE.

THE CATHOLIC PRESS DAY will take place at the CATHEDRAL on SUNDAY, the 10th MARCH.

MORNING SERVICE:—High Mass 8 A.M.
Evening Service:—Sermon and Benediction at 4 P.M.
After that an "AT HOME" at the Mission House.
Catholics are cordially invited. [7502]

THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO. (1918), LTD.

LOST.

APPLICATION has been made to the Company to issue to Mr. FERNANDO DE SENA FERREIRA, of Macao, a Duplicate Certificate for FORTY SHARES in this Company Numbered 491408/491445, or other Certificate in lieu thereof, upon statement that the Original Certificate No. 2252, dated 18th SEPTEMBER, 1928, has, together with a Signed Receipt Transfer, been LOST or MISLaid; and NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that if within THIRTY DAYS from the date hereof No Claim or Representation in respect of such Original Certificate is made to the Company, this Company will then proceed to deal with such Application.

For THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO. (1918), LTD.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 8th March, 1929. [7501]

THE Undersigned have received Instructions

To Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
IN FOUR LOTS

TUESDAY,

THE 12th DAY OF MARCH, 1929,
AT 2 O'CLOCK P.M.

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THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES

Lot No. 1.—The Property known as No. 99D, 99E and 99F, WELLINGTON STREET comprises three newly erected four storied Chinese shops and dwellings with basements situate in the centre of the city. The piece or parcel of ground registered in the Land Office as Section C and the remaining portion of Island Lot No. 184 having an Area of 2852 Square Feet or thereabouts. The Property is situate on the North side of WELLINGTON STREET and is bounded on the East by PEEL STREET and on the West by a Private Lane.

Lot No. 2.—The Property known as No. 180, WELLINGTON STREET is an excellent class three storied Chinese shop and dwelling house with iron balconies in front situate in the centre of the city on the piece or parcel of ground registered in the Land Office as Section 12 of Island Lot No. 3 having an Area of 723 Square Feet or thereabouts. The Annual Crown rent payable on this Property is \$12.00.

Lot No. 3.—The Property known as No. 350, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL and No. 47, LOWER LASKAR ROAD are excellent class three storied Chinese shops and dwellings. No. 350 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL has an attic store on the roof and No. 47 LOWER LASKAR ROAD has a basement. The Property is situate on the piece or parcel of ground registered in the Land Office as Subsection 1 of Section AE of Island Lot No. 211 having an Area of 1273 Square Feet or thereabouts. The Annual Crown rent payable on this Property is \$18.1.

Lot No. 4.—The Property known as No. 1, CASTLE ROAD is a semi-detached two storied European residence situate in the central district of the city on the middle levels in a favourite residential locality on the piece or parcel of ground registered in the Land Office as Section B of Island Lot No. 503 having an Area of 4193 Square Feet or thereabouts. The Property is ripe for re-development purposes. The Annual Crown rent payable on this Property is \$5.63.

Further Information and Copies of the Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be obtained from:—

Messrs. HASTINGS, DENNIS & BOWLEY,
Valuers/Solicitors,
8, DES VOGES ROAD CENTRAL,
or
Messrs. LAMBERT BROTHERS,
The Auctioneers. [7424]

INTIMATIONS.

HONG KONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE FIRST YEARLY DRAWING of 20 DEBENTURES (1928) Issue of \$500 Each of the HONG KONG CLUB, Payable on MONDAY, the 30th SEPTEMBER, 1929, will be held in the CLUB HOUSE at 11 O'CLOCK, A.M., on THURSDAY, the 21st MARCH, 1929.

Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By Order,
T. A. ROBERTSON, Lieut.-Col.,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 6th March, 1929. [7495]

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (Weather Permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 9th MARCH, 1929, commencing at 2.00 P.M.

The First Ball will be rung at 1.30 P.M. The Charge for Admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.00 for all Persons including Ladies.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain Admission to the Members Enclosure.

Each Member has the right to introduce 2 Non-members to the Members Enclosure. Tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. LESTER & DAVIS, at \$5.00 Each, up to FRIDAY, 8th MARCH, 1929.

The Charge for Admission for Ladies to the Members Enclosure will be \$1.00. Each Member can obtain, upon Application to the SECRETARY, Badges for Admission of 2 Ladies Free of Charge.

Bookmakers, The T. Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the Precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meetings. [7475]

By Order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 21st Feb., 1929. [7477]

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE, HONG KONG.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the SOCIETY will be held in the Office of the HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB, on the Ground Floor of the Hong Kong Club Building, on THURSDAY, 14th MARCH, 1929, at 5.30 P.M.

For the following purposes:—
(a) To receive the Report of the Committee and Statement of Accounts for the Past Year.
(b) To elect the Officers and Committee for the ensuing year.
(c) To consider the manner in which St. George's Day shall be celebrated.
(d) To transact any Other Business of which due Notice has been given.

All Members are requested to attend.
S. T. BUTLIN,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 7th Mar., 1929. [7497]

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Office, P. & O. BUILDING, on FRIDAY, 22nd MARCH, 1929, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st DECEMBER, 1928, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The REGISTER of MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from 11th MARCH, 1929, to 22nd MARCH, 1929, both days inclusive, during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Solicitors.
Hong Kong, 1st Mar., 1929. [7469]

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the Undersigned on TUESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1929, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended the 31st DECEMBER, 1928.

THE SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 20th MARCH, 1929, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers,
THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.
Hong Kong, 6th Mar., 1929. [7490]

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G. R.

HONG KONG GOVERNMENT PUBLIC WORKS LOAN OF 1927.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the BONDS for the above mentioned LOAN can be obtained on Application at the CHIEF OFFICE of the HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

C. M. MESSER,
Colonial Treasurer.
[7493]

G. R.

TENDERS are invited for the SUPPLY of LABOUR and LIGHTRAGE for ADMIRALTY COALING for a Period of 12 Months certain from the 1st APRIL, 1929.

Forms for Tendering can be obtained on Application to the NAVAL STORE OFFICE, H.M. DOCKYARD, Hong Kong, and Tenders should be lodged in the NAVAL STORE OFFICE, OFFICE Not Later Than NOON on THURSDAY, 14th MARCH, 1929.

H.M. NAVAL YARD, Hong Kong. [7492]

G. R.

NOTICE.

IN THE ESTATE OF HENRY PERCY WHITE, LATE OF VICTORIA IN THE COLONY OF HONG KONG; GENTLEMAN, DECEASED.

ALL Persons having Claims against the Estate of the above named Deceased are requested to send Particulars thereof to the Undersigned forthwith.

DEACONS,
Solicitors for the Executor,
1, DES VOGES ROAD CENTRAL,
Hong Kong. [7471]

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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.05 p.m., stated:—

The anticyclone is central over S.W. Japan. The monsoon will moderate along the S.E. coast of China but remain fresh over the China Sea.

Local Forecast:—N.E. winds, moderate, fine to cloudy.

Hong Kong Office: 11, Ice House Street.

London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, MARCH 9th, 1929.

"NOT FOR PUBLICATION."

ONE of the many trials the journalist has to bear is the public man who gives him important and interesting information in confidence. Such revelations, more often than not, lead to trouble, and this is what has happened at Geneva. Sir Austen Chamberlain and his confidential talk with representatives of the British Press, during which he made a reference to the Kellogg Pact. An American journalist "secured" a version of this statement—which means a British colleague betrayed Sir Austen's confidence—and publication in New York of these remarks in an "allegedly inaccurate form" has naturally caused trouble. As Sir Austen says, it is an unfortunate incident, but it is unfortunate that the Foreign Secretary should himself have given the opportunity for trouble to be made. During the Peace Conference, and at the innumerable subsequent international parleys, statements were continually giving out "confidential" information to the Press, sometimes with the desire that it should be kept to the "sacred" zone of diplomatic work, and sometimes with the desire that it should be kept to the "sacred" zone of diplomatic work, and sometimes with the desire that it should be kept to the "sacred" zone of diplomatic work.

It is particularly unfortunate that such an unpleasant incident should have occurred at Geneva, because this month will witness the launching of some of the most important undertakings of the League of Nations for the present year.

Besides the regular March meeting of the Council, which will have unusual importance this year, four other important Commissions will hold sessions during the month.

The programme opens with the meeting of the League's Committee on private law in inland navigation. The Committee expects eventually to arrive either at an international convention or a codification of law relative to inland navigation which will constitute as nearly as possible a uniform world-wide regime.

The League Council will hold its fifty-fourth session this month; and the dominating question of the meeting will be that of the protection of European minorities, which has been raised by the German Foreign Minister, Dr. Stresemann, and a most serious discussion of the present situation is expected.

League circles generally regard the constituting Europe's most potential war menace. Following the meeting of the Council a newly-created Commission for the revision of the statutes of the League's Hague Court will meet on March 11th. The United States is represented by Elihu Root, who helped draft the statutes as they now stand. It is hoped that in the revision of the statutes means may be found for rendering possible American adhesion by the acceptance of the Senate's fifth reservation, which provides that the Court shall not render an advisory opinion on any question in which the United States has an interest without the latter's consent.

Another Commission, under the presidency of Count Bernstorff, will meet in a final effort to reach agreement on a draft Convention for the control of the manufacture of munitions, arms and war material. The effort will centre largely on a final proposition made by Belgium in which is enumerated the precise classes of war material to which the Convention would apply. Later in the month, the League's Permanent Advisory Committee on Communications and Transit will meet for action on a long agenda.

Germany assumes the championship of the 20,000,000 minority populations of Europe in raising the question of the League's guarantee of the rights of minority populations. The discussion is expected to open an entirely new chapter in League activities. In the first place, the action of Dr. Stresemann in placing the question on the League's agenda constitutes one of the strongest challenges that has yet been made to the inviolability of the Peace Treaties, and brings up anew a problem that was supposed to be finally settled in the Treaties themselves.

But unless the 20,000,000 minority populations which Europe now possesses can be kept happy and satisfied in the various countries into which they are incorporated, it is considered certain that nationalistic and irredentist movements will develop amongst them that in the end will result in armed conflicts for independence and the creation of new States.

The problem of minorities is one that grew out of the Peace Treaties, and is one of the hardest tasks which the League has to solve. Under the "Balkanization" of Europe which took place, large blocks of population differed either in race, language or religion were incorporated into States to which they did not formerly belong, either politically or ethnically. The gravity of the situation thus created was so fully foreseen at the Paris and other Peace Conferences that provisions were incorporated in all of the Peace Treaties establishing the rights of these minorities, and placing their protection under the guarantee of the League of Nations. Since then the League has also required a number of new States on applying for membership to sign declarations guaranteeing equality to the minority populations within their territory. Finally several Conventions and bilateral Treaties have been negotiated in Europe for the protection of minorities.

The extent to which the whole European fabric is honeycombed with this problem is indicated by the fact that there are now nearly twenty European nations bound by some one of the three above methods to guarantee the rights of minorities. These States are Austria, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Hungary, Poland, Rumania, Serbia, Turkey, Albania, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Germany, and the Free City of Danzig. The total number of people included in these minority groups is estimated at 20,000,000.

While the Treaties have provided for a system of protection of the rights of these people, the efficacy of the whole structure has now been challenged by Dr. Stresemann's demand to bring the entire question before the League Council.

This demand is the outcome of the wordy clash which occurred at the Lugano meeting of the League Council, when the Polish Foreign Minister, Mr. Zaleski, made serious charges against the Deutsche Volkshund, a German organisation maintained in Polish Upper Silesia for the purpose of looking after the rights of the German minority there. Mr. Zaleski's charges included almost everything from high treason to efforts to prevent the normal development of the country under Polish administration. Dr. Stresemann, pointing his fist on the table, and for a moment giving indications that he would leave the Council table, finally contented himself by declaring his astonishment at Zaleski's words and announcing that he would bring the whole question of European minorities before the next session of the Council. Even before the Zaleski-Stresemann outbreak, however, Mr. Dandrand, of Canada, had announced that he would place on the agenda of the present session the question of the present procedure for minorities in calling attention to alleged violations of their rights.

It is reported that the Polish Government, acting on the principle that the best form of defence is to attack, intends to propose that the minorities treaties be made general by binding upon all members of the league. This proposal, excellent in itself, will have a purely mischievous effect at Geneva, since France and Italy, especially the latter, profit abundantly by the absence of any such obligations incumbent upon themselves to pursue a policy of rigid and tyrannical centralisation. Germany, who is also not subject to minority treaties except for the special temporary arrangement affecting Upper Silesia, does not abuse this liberty. She allows her Danish and Polish subjects the most generous exercise of minority rights, only among the Polish element there is little tendency to profit by them.

In reply to statements which the Polish Government has made in London claiming that there are a million Poles in Germany, figures are published in Berlin which reduce that number to less than a million. The Poles include in their figures the 100,000 Masurians in East Prussia who voted solidly for Germany in the plebiscite, another 100,000 seasonal workers who immigrate annually into Germany, and finally 550,000 persons who speak both Polish and German. The Germans consider that only half of these last, and none of the other 200,000 can properly be included in the minority, of which the number consequently falls to 550,000. On the other hand, the Germans claim that there are 1,200,000 Germans in Poland, a figure reached largely on the strength of the fact that 1,000,000 persons are registered as Protestants in Poland, and there are a further 200,000 German Catholics in Upper Silesia.

Probably this is considerably too high. There are numbers of Germans in Poland, especially in the Lodz area, who are so far Polishised that they would resent being considered part of the minority. The problem is an extremely difficult one to handle, and is not made any easier by the attitude of some of those directly concerned in it.

News and Views.

The collections taken at all services held to-morrow at St. John's Cathedral will be given to the Miners' Fund.

Six Chinese cases of small-pox were notified on Thursday, of which five were from Kowloon. There were also two Chinese cases of typhoid.

Pte. Turner, of Victoria Barracks, has been bitten by a pet monkey. He has gone to hospital for treatment, and the animal was removed to the Kennedy Town depot.

H.M.S. Bridgewater and H.M.S. Sandwich, the new sloops which are relieving the Foxglove and Bluebell on the China Station, will leave England on April 5th and arrive in Hong Kong on June 4th.

A special matinee commencing at 5.30 p.m. will be given by "The Samoan Dancers" at the Star Theatre to-day. Children will be admitted at half price. At 9.30 p.m. a farewell performance will be given.

The Roman Catholic Press Day will take place at the R.C. Cathedral on Sunday (to-morrow) High Mass is at 8 a.m., and evening service, sermon and Benediction at 4 p.m. After that there will be an "At Home" at the Mission House. All Catholics are cordially invited.

It was inadvertently stated in yesterday's issue that the entertainment at the Helena May Institute on Thursday was in aid of the funds of the S.P.C.A. We regret the mistake. The concert was one of the series of fortnightly musicales which have been so popular during the past few winters.

The Chinese man and woman who were charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon with robbery with violence, at No. 251, Lai Chi Kok Road, on February 8th, were committed to the next Criminal Sessions. Detective Inspector Fallon was in charge of the case.

A Chinese youth who "flew" after three weeks' adoption by a woman returned to the house and stole jewellery worth \$75, which he pawned. The police arrested him as he was attempting to get away to Macao. At the Central Magistracy yesterday he was given fourteen days' hard labour for stealing, and fined \$15 or ten days for pawning the stolen jewellery.

In the early hours of yesterday morning a cat burglar entered the residence of Mr. P. M. Xaxier, No. 29 Ashley Road, first floor, Kowloon, and stole three new suits of clothes. A report was made to the Water Police Station, when the inmate of the house discovered the theft in the morning. This is the third case of burglary reported to the Police recently from this vicinity.

Sailing orders have been issued to the cruisers Carysfort (Captain A. Maitland-Douglas), Cleopatra (Captain J. F. B. Barrett), and Dartmouth (Captain R. H. C. Hallifax) for their troping voyage to the China Station with relief crews. The Cleopatra and Dartmouth recently made a similar voyage to the Mediterranean, but the Carysfort is being detached from duty as senior officer's ship in the Reserve Fleet, Devonport.

It is an indication of the scarcity of cruisers in the Royal Navy that while she is absent on the coming cruise the senior officer, Captain A. T. Tillard, D.S.O., and his staff are to transfer to the Pegasus, a small seaplane-carrier, which was recently placed on the sale list. The three cruisers between them will convey half-crews for all the C.I. gunboats, new crews for the four sloops, and the submarine parent ships Titania and Marazion, and a small submarine draft.

"Country Life."

A copy of Country Life, of February 2nd, kindly forwarded by the publishers brings with it a breath of rural England. The illustrations are as clear as ever, and include lovely views of two Suffolk Hall, beautiful Jacobean places, one of them with such a most as children long for in dreams. Not the least pleasing feature of Country Life is the pictures of places in the market. There you can decide where you will live when you have won the Champions' Sweep, or otherwise piloted "your ship" into port. Quiet, scholarly and entirely English, Country Life, much the same as it was thirty years ago, resists the changes, like a sweet clean village in Dorset or Devonshire.

Commander P. S. E. Maxwell, who has been superintendent of charts at the Admiralty since April, 1927, has been appointed to command the surveying ship Herald, on the China Station. This vessel has been temporarily under the command of Lieut.-Comdr. F. C. Woodhouse since the return of Captain F. E. B. Hasellock, D.S.O., to the Admiralty. In the Hydrographic Department, Comdr. A. L. Jackson, formerly commanding the surveying ship Iroquois in China, is appointed. Both Comdr. Maxwell and Comdr. Jackson served as navigating officers and on surveying duties during the late war.

Hong Kong Theosophist Lecture.

At this week's public meeting of the Hong Kong Lodge The Theosophical Society Mr. J. Russell gave a lecture on "Social Evolution." He said that mere lip beliefs, thoughtlessly accepted from outside and seldom thought about will not get us very far. The modern view teaches the supreme importance of character, and it is recognized that in a universe of law, happiness and well-being ultimately befall the righteous liver. Yet repentance, if sincere, is of tremendous importance, as a man's thoughts modify, even re-create, his inner character. Beliefs are effective only if they are not mere lip beliefs, but parts of a man's own innate thoughts, affecting all his actions. Modern Society is the embodiment of the common mind of its individual members, and each individual member's thought is adding life to the whole of Society. Hence the supreme importance of individual thought for the progress of Social Evolution.

Mr. Root's Mission.

Senator Elihu Root, the former U.S. Secretary of State, is now at Geneva seeking to secure an understanding among world Powers on the reservations which the United States would make before joining the Court of International Justice at the Hague. The United States is not at present a member of the World Court, but there is a movement on foot in America to secure her adhesion provided that certain reservations are made. Three years ago the Senate voted in favour of American adherence to the World Court of International Justice, but at the same time made reservations which the other Powers did not accept. One of these was a stipulation denying the right of the Court to render an advisory opinion involving the United States without the previous consent of the United States to consideration of the case. Some international lawyers believe that the Court is already bound to render no advisory opinion without the unanimous consent of the Council of the League of Nations. In that case, all other nations have the right with regard to advisory opinions which is asked for by the United States. It is also believed by some jurists that if the American reservation regarding advisory opinions were accepted, a big stumbling block in the way of the adherence of the United States to the World Court would be removed. Mr. Root's presence at Geneva means another move to take the United States into the Court. Mr. Coolidge not long ago made it known that he desired another canvass of the Powers to discover whether the way was not still open for an understanding on the American reservations.

Rockefeller's Victory.

The great battle between John D. Rockefeller, junior and Colonel Robert W. Stewart has been fought, and the latter has been at last forced to tender his resignation as Chairman of Directors of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana. More than a month ago it was claimed that the Rockefeller faction had received assurances of support from holders of 51 per cent. of the more than nine million shares in the company. The Stewart group fervently denied this, but the result shows that the Rockefeller party was the stronger. Mr. C. E. Hughes, former Secretary of State, was engaged by the Rockefeller proxy committee to assist in carrying on the fight for the removal of Colonel Stewart. The trouble dates back to the investigation by the Senate of the Teapot Dome oil scandal. Colonel Stewart, once appeared before the Senate Committee, but later refused to testify further. In his earlier testimony he admitted having received \$750,000 from the mysterious Continental Trading Company of Canada. Later Colonel Stewart was unable to recollect the details of the transaction, but he insisted he never intended to profit personally. Mr. Rockefeller, while asserting strong belief in Colonel Stewart's integrity, urged him to give full testimony to the Committee, and obtained from Stewart a promise to resign if he should request it. When Colonel Stewart was indicted for refusing to testify, and also for perjury, Rockefeller requested the resignation. Since the head of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana failed to comply, Rockefeller launched his campaign to oust Colonel Stewart, and appealed to the stockholders to decide the issue. In his counter-reply, Colonel Stewart said he had promised to resign if the stockholders asked for his resignation, and not if Rockefeller, as an individual, asked for it. Now Colonel Stewart knows what the stockholders think, his resignation follows automatically.

FENG'S LATEST MOVE.

MAY HELP OUT CHIANG KAI SHEK.
WAR RUMOURS REFUTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 8th.
Latest reports state that Feng Yu Hsiang is likely to throw his influence upon the side of Chiang Kai Shek against Kwangsi. It is further stated that his forces are replacing Chiang Kai Shek's troops in Northern Kiangsu and Southern Shantung, enabling the latter to be transferred to the Yangtze Valley.

The Kwangsi clique shows a desire to clear up the Hunan issue, but Li Tsung Jen, when interviewed by the *North China Daily News*, while protesting against rumours of "impending war," and stating that there never had been any distinction between Wuhan and Nanking, said that it was within the power of the Wuhan Council to dismiss officials who were negligent, and the Council had found Lu Ti Ping negligent and inefficient.

WATCHFUL WAITING.
WUHAN NOT ANXIOUS FOR TROUBLE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HANKOW, March 8th.
The Wuhan party are most reticent concerning the threatened crisis. They appear anxious to avoid a break at all costs. Therefore, it is believed that Nanking must take the initial step before trouble can break out.

The Wuhan troops in the vicinity of Wumeh are estimated as being 10,000 strong. There are no further troop movements, pending further information as to what action will be taken by the Nanking party.

The position here at present is merely one of watchful waiting.

RAILWAY GUARDED.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HANKOW, March 8th.
There are as yet no signs of excitement locally, the authorities denying all rumours of an expected break with Nanking.

Contrary to these assurances, however, the Kiangsi border is being narrowly watched, and the 18th Army has occupied strategic positions along the Peking-Hankow Railway.

Some quarters consider that the threatened split is merely a cloak for general mobilisation against Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang.

Conditions along the Peking-Hankow Railway continue to be normal, and a through service is still being maintained.

GUNBOAT FOR CHEFOO.
(Wah Ts Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, March 8th.
According to a telegram from Fang Pan Jen, the gunboat Chu Fung has been despatched to Chefoo from Fengtien to assist Liu Chen Nien.

MARTIAL LAW ABOLISHED.
(Wah Ts Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, March 8th.
As Lu Ti Ping's troops have entirely evacuated Hunan, martial law has been abolished at Changsha.

Yeh Chi takes the control of the military affairs of Western Hunan and Ho Chien is in command of Changsha.

MR. WHYTE'S NEW JOB.
MADE POSSIBLE BY CORDIAL RELATIONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

A NATIONALIST AIDE.
It is learned by Reuter that Mr. Whyte's appointment as "Political Counsellor to the National Government" was offered him early this week, in an official letter signed by Marshal Chiang Kai Shek as President of the State Council and Chairman of the Government.

In accepting the offer, Mr. Whyte said that he was deeply sensible of the honour, which was a signal mark of confidence. "I am glad to think," he said, "that the frank and cordial relations which I have enjoyed with Your Excellency, leading members of the Government, and other prominent Chinese friends has made it possible."

"I do not conceal from myself its delicate nature, but the more I reflect the more clearly do I see my duty."

"I therefore accept the post and wish to express my appreciation of the goodwill my appointment implies."

"I thank you moreover for respecting my desire to serve without payment."

SIR AUSTEN AND THE KELLOGG PACT.

ALLEGED SLUR STRONGLY DENIED.
GENEVA SENSATION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, March 7th.
What Sir Austen Chamberlain himself described as "an unfortunate incident" causing the greatest excitement in the United States, was the subject of a striking pronouncement to Press representatives by the British Foreign Secretary to-day.

Addressing British journalists a few days ago, Sir Austen, in reply to some questions, made some remarks on the Kellogg Pact and disarmament, which he emphasised were confidential.

An American journalist secured a version of his statement and cabled it to his paper in New York in an allegedly inaccurate form.

The Alleged Comment.
The statement attributed to Sir Austen was, in fact, that the Kellogg Pact was merely an American gesture suitable only for Americans and not affecting European disarmament.

The alleged comment has been given wide publicity in the United States, and Sir Austen Chamberlain, in view of the possibly unfortunate impression thereby created, re-emphasised the British Press representatives to-day, and categorically denied making the statement alleged.

Agrees with Hoover.
A British Wireless message quotes Sir Austen as saying:—

"Since I spoke to the British Press I have had an opportunity, which I had not then had, of reading President Hoover's inaugural speech, and though our thoughts were naturally expressed in different language, if I may be permitted to say so, I discovered no great difference between what President Hoover said and what I said to you here."

I have always regarded the Kellogg Pact as one more barrier erected by international co-operation against war. It goes to confirm and to fortify engagements already taken under other auspices by many nations.

Similar Sentiments.
"It is common ground to us all that these engagements, valuable as they are for the maintenance of peace, are not an absolute guarantee against war."

President Hoover said: "Peace will become a reality only through self-restraint and active effort in friendliness and helpfulness." It is to such a change in international outlook and in the standard of international relations that I, like President Hoover, look to make real and solid, the improved conditions which already reign among us.

A Strong Denial.
"The question put to me the other day was whether I expected the Kellogg Pact to have an immediate and a large effect on the progress of disarmament. As to this, it would be dangerous to be too sanguine. President Hoover himself, in the passage from which I have already quoted, observes that 'peace can be contributed to by respect for our ability in defence, peace can be promoted by the limitation of arms and by the creation of instrumentalities for the peaceful settlement of controversy.'"

I agree with that statement. Each new affirmation of the sanctity of peace and of the obligation of each of us to maintain it, helps forward the discussion of disarmament, but having regard to the difficulties which we have already experienced despite the desire for disarmament, which is common to us all, it would, I think, have been rash for anyone to take a position as responsible as my own to pretend that a single act, however important, had brought us to a solution of all our troubles."

"I wish to emphasise, and to categorically deny, that I ever made any statement to the Press here, or to anyone else, of the character which has apparently been attributed to me."

FAMINE FUNDS FROM AMERICA.
CHINESE SUFFERERS TO BENEFIT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 8th.
It is learned from Nanking that the International Famine Relief Commission has received a telegram announcing that a contribution of \$110,000 has been subscribed in New York to meet the urgent needs of the sufferers of the North China famine.

The funds will be distributed as follows:—
Shensi \$50,000
Changhar \$10,000
Shansi \$15,000
Honan \$10,000
The balance will be placed at the disposal of the I.F.R.C. in Kansu.

MOTERING COSTS.

OWNERS AND INCREASED PRICES.
GOVERNMENT INQUIRY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 7th.
Every branch of the motoring industry and the motoring public was represented when a deputation waited on Mr. Winston Churchill, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, this morning. The whole problem of motoring and taxation was discussed at some length, the deputation urging that the Government should take steps to afford relief of the high motor taxation and the cost of petrol.

The subject of the cost of petrol was also raised in the House of Commons, and Mr. Baldwin, the Premier, personally replied, stating that the Government, proposed to invite the oil companies concerned to submit a statement explaining the reasons for the recent increase in the price of petrol.

Reason for Prices.
The Prime Minister emphasised that the Government, by taking the action mentioned, was not in any way pre-judging the question of the justification or otherwise of the increase.

He added that he was not aware of the formation of the merger for marketing between the Anglo-Persian Oil Company and other oil companies. He said the question of selling prices was ordinary commercial activity.

ROCKEFELLER WINS.
STEWART OUSTED FROM OIL.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WHITING, Indiana, March 7th.
The battle between Colonel Stewart and the Rockefellers for the control of the nine hundred million dollar Standard Oil Company of Indiana has been fought out at a shareholders meeting and has resulted in a victory for the Rockefellers.

The latter claimed that Colonel Stewart was unfit to retain Chairmanship on account of his unethical business methods.

MORE POLITICAL 'REVELATIONS'.
RECOLLECTIONS DO NOT TALLY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LLOYD GEORGE STANDS FAST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 7th.
Piquancy has been lent to the appearance of the fifth volume of Mr. Winston Churchill's "The World Crisis and the Aftermath," which brings his story up to the end of 1922, by patent discrepancies in the recollections of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and those of Mr. Lloyd George, who was Premier at the time.

Mr. Lloyd George this morning issued a formal denial of a statement contained in the book that he declined to have the late Earl of Oxford and Asquith (then Mr. Asquith) at the Peace Conference.

Lady Oxford has since declared that Mr. Lloyd George is inaccurate, adding that her late husband offered his services to the Peace Delegation, that Mr. Lloyd George promised to consider the offer, but never mentioned the matter again.

This afternoon, in a further statement, Mr. Lloyd George adhered to his former statement.

He declared that his book, when published, would give details of the interview at which he made Mr. Asquith the formal offer of the Lord Chancellorship, which meant attendance at the Peace Conference. The offer, he adds, was refused.

WORLD FLYER'S PROGRESS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CAPTOWN, March 8th.
Mr. Van Lear Black, the American newspaper magnate, who is flying round the world, left here to-day on his return journey to London.

JAPANESE AIRMEN KILLED.
FATAL CRASH ON THE ROCKS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, March 8th.
A Petty Officer and two sailors were killed instantaneously when a naval bomber, carrying out a practice flight, crashed because of engine trouble. The machine struck the rocks on the coast near Tsurumi, and burst into flames, being completely destroyed.

EN ROUTE TO NANKING.

According to the *Wah Ts Yat Pao*, General Chen Ming Shu, Chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, Mr. Fan Kee Mo, Financial Deputy, and Mr. Ou Yang Ku, ex-director of the Canton Bureau of Public Safety, have arrived Hong Kong en route to Nanking to attend the 3rd National Kuomintang Delegate Conference to be held on the 15th inst.

NAVY ESTIMATES REDUCED.

ECONOMIES, BUT STRENGTH UNIMPAIRED.
SINGAPORE BASE VOTE HIGHER.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 8th.
The Navy Estimates for this year amount to £35,865,000, a reduction of £1,435,000 compared with 1928.

The Rt. Hon. W. C. Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty, in a statement accompanying the Navy Estimates, pointed out that a reduction has been made even though the strength of the fleet and the fleet arm is undiminished.

A sum of £3,621,000 has been voted for new construction, which is £1,008,000 less than in 1928. The main reason for this smaller provision is the cancellation of three cruisers from the 1927-28 programme. The vote for the fleet air arm is increased by £220,000, mainly to meet the cost of two further flights for the aircraft-carrier *Glorious*.

Personnel Reduced.
Personnel will be reduced in 1929 by 3,000 compared with last April. Sir Charles Madden is due to retire in July but has consented to prolong his term of office as First Sea Lord until a more convenient date.

The programme for 1929 provides for commencing the construction of three cruisers and one flotilla leader, eight destroyers, six submarines and six sloops.

Although piracy continues rife in the China seas the situation is less exacting from a naval point of view.

More for Singapore.

An additional provision for work on the Singapore base is responsible for a small increase. This work in the past had made small demand upon Navy Votes, in consequence of generous contributions from New Zealand, Malaya, and Hong Kong, but the 1929 expenditure will exceed the naval share of contributions still in course of payment by £200,000. Now that the main engineering contract, which the cost to Navy Votes will largely increase in the next few years unless additional contributions are forthcoming from the Empire.

An Economical Policy.
The policy adopted has been to effect economies in maintenance charges, in order to offset the expenditure on three main objects: Firstly, the advancement of the new construction programme; secondly, the Singapore Base; and, thirdly, the gradual expansion of the fleet air arm.

The absence of any disturbing feature in the general naval position has justified spreading over a long period the fulfilment of many important naval requirements. In conformity with this policy a reduction is proposed under every Vote for effective services.

The employment of aircraft with the fleet is steadily progressing. The number of hours flown from aircraft-carriers has increased by seventy-three per cent.

Also, an organisation has been established in conjunction with the Board of Trade to extend a worldwide system of warning to merchant ships as to changes of lights, buoys, and as regards other dangers to navigation. This will be effected by utilising wireless stations in British territory everywhere.

DEATH OF "WOODBINE WILLIE."

REV. G. A. STUDDERT-KENNEDY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 8th.
The death is announced, from influenza, of the Rev. G. A. Studdert-Kennedy, M.C., C.F.

[The Rev. G. A. Studdert-Kennedy was well-known to thousands of troops, and the British reading public, during the Great War, under the name of "Woodbine Willie." Under this pseudonym he wrote "Rough Rhymes of a Padre" which admirably hit off the spirit of the time. He was responsible for several other publications.]

Ordnained in 1908, he was Vicar of St. Paul's, Worcester, from 1914 to 1921, a Chaplain to the King, and since 1922 had been Rector of St. Edmund, King and Martyr, Lombard St.

HOOVER SETTLES DOWN TO WORK.

WILL ENFORCE PROHIBITION.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, March 7th.
As forecasted in President Hoover's inaugural address, a special session of Congress is to be held on April 16th, to consider agricultural relief limited to changes in the tariff.

Mr. Hoover, it is stated, has already had several conferences with the Attorney-General and with Senator Borah regarding more effective enforcement of Prohibition.

THE KING.

DECORATION FOR HIS NURSE.
ROYAL GRATITUDE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, March 8th.
The King again passed a good night. There was brilliant sunshine at Bognor this morning, although the wind was chilly. His Majesty yesterday conferred the insignia of the Royal Red Cross upon Nurse Davis (one of the five nurses to whose unremitting care of the King reference has previously been made).

The King had the medal specially sent from London, as Nurse Davis was going on leave.

PAGHAM, PLEASE-NOT BOGNOR.

WHERE THE KING IS RECOVERING.

Where, actually, is the King recuperating?
"Why, at Craigwell House, Bognor," nearly everybody will reply at once.

But wait till you hear what Pagham has to say!
Pagham! Where and what is Pagham?

Pagham was history when Bognor was sand and shore. Pagham—why, it was at Pagham that Thomas Becket had an archiepiscopal palace. You can see some of the remains of it now. Pagham was a famous haunt of smugglers, and Pagham Parish Church is the grandmother of the churches of neighbouring districts.

And it is at Pagham, and not at Bognor, that the King is staying.

Vicar's Statement.

I called on the vicar of Pagham, the Rev. G. G. Knox, writes a *Daily Express* correspondent. He knew Mrs. Stocker, whose husband, Dr. Stocker, built Craigwell House more than a quarter of a century ago. "Craigwell House," said the vicar, "is in Aldwick, which is part of this parish of Pagham."

"Mrs. Stocker, of Craigwell, was as jealous as possible about the locality being known as Pagham parish. She did not like letters addressed to her as at Aldwick, Bognor."

"Fancy Bognor," the vicar has written in his parish magazine, "just the grandchild (ecclesiastically speaking), however beloved, of Pagham, annexing to herself the kudos of the King's sojourn in the parish of her simple progenitor!"

I saw on the road near Craigwell the engines and lorries with material for repairing the road over which the King travelled. I asked a man about it. "No, master, 'tain't Bognor's doings. They ain't got no lights hereabouts. 'Tis the district council of West Hamptnett. Look at the name on they steaza rollers."

He was right! The district council of West Hamptnett was repairing the road in the rural parish of Pagham, in the district of Aldwick, where Craigwell is.

I found that Bognor was smilingly generous about it all. "The vicar of Bognor said the other day," remarked one resident to me, "that we in Bognor are shining in the reflected glory of Pagham."

Chris Bognor is quite an open about it. I asked an official at the council offices where Craigwell House was, either here or there. He replied: "It is not in Bognor."

So that also was that.

GANDHI'S REPORTED ARREST.

DENIED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

A PLEASURE IN STORE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 7th.
In the House of Commons to-day, several questions were asked in regard to the reported arrest earlier in the week, at Calcutta, of Gandhi, the noted Swarajist agitator.

Replying, Earl Winterton (Under Secretary for India) stated that Gandhi was not actually arrested. The Government of Bengal had intimated that the lighting of the bonfire to burn foreign clothes was illegal, and in reply to this, Gandhi said the notice itself was illegal.

Gandhi's persistence, said Earl Winterton, led to a melee in which two police inspectors and fourteen sergeants, as well as seventeen other ranks and some members of the public, were injured.

There were 22 arrests made, and Gandhi was afterwards informed that he would be prosecuted.

Later, said Earl Winterton, it was arranged that the prosecution should be postponed until Gandhi had returned from Burmah, on condition that there be no similar bonfire in Calcutta.

"In the meantime," Earl Winterton added, "there is no new political situation, and the House may rest assured that the Government of Bengal will enforce the ordinary law against those attempting to break it, whether they are political leaders or their dupes."

GIANT WHITE STAR LINER.

REMARKABLE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENTS.
MOTOR ENGINES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, March 8th.
Lord Kylsant, Chairman of the White Star Line, last night made an interesting statement regarding the new 60,000 tons White Star liner now being built at Belfast.

He said that when completed, the vessel, which will have a length of one thousand feet, will be larger and longer than any other afloat or under construction. It will be electrically propelled, but the question as to whether the machinery for generating electricity should take the form of steam turbines or motor engines had been receiving long and anxious consideration.

Everything indicated the probability of internal combustion forces being adapted to produce the enormous electrical power that must be developed to propel so large a vessel at high speed.

The fact that it might be possible to utilize motor engines coupled up with an electric drive, for that ship constituted a further remarkable development in marine engineering.

Regarding the general situation, Lord Kylsant said there were distinct signs of the shipbuilding industry becoming more active.

MERCHANDISE MARKS ON PACKET TEA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

APPLICATION REFUSED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 8th.
The *Daily Express* understands that the Board of Trade Standing Committee, under the Merchandise Marks Act, have refused the application made by Empire tea growers to have all packet teas marked with the country of origin.

"ABSOLUTELY PEACEFUL."

MEXICAN LEGATION STATEMENT.

REBELS CLAIM VICTORIES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 7th.
The Mexican Legation has issued a communique stating that, with the exception of Sonora, to which 8,000 Government troops were rapidly advancing, and a small zone occupied at Escobar, the whole of Mexico is absolutely peaceful.

The statement adds that the Army were anxious to fight the rebels.

A message from Mexico City states that General Jesus Lopez, former Chief of the Mexico City Military Police, was shot as a rebel in the National Palace Yard at dawn.

Vera Cruz messages reaching New York state that the Loyalists have occupied Vera Cruz seaport, but, contrary to this report, General Borquez, the rebel commander at Sonora, claims that the insurgents have captured the State of Sinaloa.

The Catholic churches in Sonora celebrated High Mass to-day for the first time for three years.

One result of these flights has been to give us experience and information without which so ambitious a scheme as an air route of 6,245 miles from the North to the South of Africa would be altogether impracticable.

Dealing with machines the Air Minister stated: "Upon the completion of this year's programme the whole Air Force, with the exception of four squadrons in India, will be equipped with new type engines and machines. The four Indian squadrons are due for rearmament in 1930."

Future Developments.
Upon the civil side we are concentrating on the development of new and up-to-date types of machine for civil transport. Among the first items in our programme are a boat of a new type with twin floats—a larger flying-boat than we have yet constructed—and two aircraft which we hope will enable us to test the rival claims of monoplane and biplane for civil purposes.

Meanwhile, a further advance will be made, in which we already have the leading place in the world, the field of metal construction.

Four years ago, the Air Ministry was ordering only one metal machine to every machine of wooden construction. To-day the wooden are seven metal machines for one wooden, so swift and complete has been the revolution in the methods of construction during the last four years.

Flights to the Cape.
The British Government was already bearing the whole burden of the subsidy for the section from England to Egypt, but was prepared to go further, and to give substantial support also to the African sections provided the other Governments concerned played their part.

"For some years past," he added, "units of the British and the South African Air Forces have been making service flights over the route. For some years past, also, and particularly during the last twelve months, flying pioneers like Sir Alan Cobham, Lady 'Abe' Bailey and Captain and Mrs. Bentley have been flying the whole length of Africa in civil machines."

New Machines.
Let us pay, in passing, a tribute to all these pioneers, and particularly to the enterprising ladies who have shown so notably their skill and bravery.

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BRITISH AVIATION POLICY.

EMPIRE TRUNK LINES.
BIG PLANS FOR THE FUTURE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, March 7th.
Hopes that another great air trunk-line of Empire would be arranged within the next few months, namely a service between London and Capetown, were expressed by Sir Samuel Hoare, the Secretary of State for Air, in introducing the Air Estimates, totalling £10,000,000 in the House of Commons to-day.

At the outset, Sir Samuel Hoare drew attention to the fact that while expenditure upon air armaments had been bounding up in other parts of the world, British net expenditure for the fourth year in succession showed an actual decrease.

Four prominent features in the Estimates were, firstly, that at the end of the year the strength of the Royal Air Force would be raised from seventy-five to eighty-two squadrons, but even so our strength would fall considerably below the strength of certain other great Powers.

Secondly, a regular air service to India would begin in a few weeks' time, while he hoped during the next few months to be able to make the necessary arrangements for the starting, in due course, of another great trunk-line of Empire, from London to Capetown. Thirdly, definite provision had been made for further advance in technical and scientific development. Further advance would be made in the field of metal construction, while concentrated attention was being given to possible developments of that great safety invention, the slotted wing.

Fourthly, a new proposal was made in the Civil Aviation Vote for stimulating the air sense of the nation and making it easier for young men and women to learn to fly.

The grant they were proposing to give to the National Flying Company was entirely restricted to payment by results, and a not less important condition was the provision, directly or indirectly, of a hundred new aerodromes and landing grounds.

British Defence.
Dealing with the question of the air defence of these shores, Sir Samuel Hoare said there still remained to be formed twenty of the 32 squadrons that they regarded as the minimum for Home Defence and Imperial Reserve.

He claimed, however, that the standard of the efficiency of the units had been greatly raised recently, and that the auxiliary squadrons had shown themselves so efficient as to justify the addition of three squadrons to their number in the Estimates.

On the subject of Imperial air routes, the Air Minister said that within a few weeks the service to India should be flying weekly and doing the journey in from six to seven days.

Co-operation Abroad.
He expressed his satisfaction with the co-operation which had been obtained with the French and Swiss over whose territory the first stage of the journey would be made.

The sum allowed in the Estimates

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

CHINESE v. U.S.S. PITTSBURG ON SUNDAY.

The following games in the Hong Kong League are down for decision to-day:—

Division I.

(Kick off 4.45 p.m.)
R.A. v. South China, Sookunpoo ground. Referee: P. O. Cowan.
China Athletic v. Club de Recreo. H.K.F.C. ground. Referee: L. S. B. A. Atkinson.
Royal Navy v. Hong Kong F.C., Caroline Hill ground. Referee: Mr. F. Smith.
Kowloon F.C. v. Small Units, Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Capt. Austin, M.C., M.M.

Division II.

(Kick off 3 p.m.)
Kowloon Res. v. South China "B", Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Coxon, Willis.
Small Units Res. v. Club de Recreo, Sookunpoo ground. Referee: Cpl. Lees.
K.O.S.B. Res. v. St. Joseph's, Chatham Road ground. Referee: P. O. Craig.
South China "A" v. R.A. Res., Caroline Hill ground. Referee: Mr. Crossley.
Royal Navy Res. v. China Athletic Res., Navy ground. Referee: Sgt. Bunting.
R.A.P. v. Eastern F.C., King's Park. Referee: Mr. Moss.

PLAYERS AND PROSPECTS.

The game between the China Athletic and Club de Recreo on the Hong Kong F.C. ground will draw a large crowd. The encounters between these teams are always looked forward to and the seating accommodation will be severely taxed.

The game will be a needle one and the first goal will probably decide it. China Athletic will be out for both points as they are now making a bold bid for the championship. Their win over the Navy last week strengthened their position. The Recreo did well by winning against South China at Caroline Hill last week and will take the field with confidence against the Athletic. China Athletic have the better record for this season and expect to take full points.

South China should maintain their position at the head of the League after their meeting with the R.A. at Sookunpoo.

At Caroline Hill, the Navy meet the Hong Kong F.C. Although the Club are playing a strong game just now, they will be no match for the Navy who should win by a good margin. Several changes are noticed in the Club team to-day.

Kowloon are still trying to get forwards who can score and in view of their Shield game with China Athletic next week have tried out new forwards. With the Small Units as opponents to-day on the Railway ground, the re-arranged forward line should give a good showing. Kowloon should win.

The Juniors.

In the junior division, the Navy and Athletic meet within the race-course. As the Club ground is vacant at 3 p.m. and in view of the race meeting, this game could, with advantage to both teams, be transferred to that ground. The Navy will be out to capture full points and should succeed.

The K.O.S.B. are due over at Chatham Road where they receive the St. Joseph's team. A win for the military team is expected.

The game between South China "B" and Kowloon on the Railway ground should be evenly contested. Full points to Small Units, South China "A" and R.A.F. are expected.

CHINESE CLUBS v. U.S.S. PITTSBURG.

TO-MORROW ON H.K.F.C. GROUND.

A friendly football game between a combined team of the South China and Chinese Athletic Associations and the U.S.S. Pittsburgh will be played on Sunday afternoon, at the Hong Kong Football Club ground at 4 p.m.

This game will be played under the auspices of the Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation and is especially arranged on the request of the Pittsburgh. This vessel is the flagship of the United States Asiatic Squadron, and its team now holds the Squadron's football championship. While at Shanghai they have met several leading teams in friendly games and on each occasion they have given an excellent account of themselves. This is the first time in many years that a U.S. Service team has made its appearance here in Association football. Their men are capable of producing a high standard of play, and in other departments of sports, such as baseball and basketball, they have accounted for the best sides on their last visit.

The Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation will also take this opportunity to make this game a trial game for prospective candidates of the team to be sent down to Singapore in May next. The

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GOLF.

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 10th.

9.03 a.m.	C. B. Riggs and H. Spicer.
9.18 "	J. R. Collis and A. C. I. Bowker.
9.23 "	T. L. Christie and T. H. Geare.
9.28 "	A. Leach and J. P. Warren.
9.36 "	J. D. Thomson and A. Macfarlane.
9.40 "	A. H. Ferguson and L. R. Andrews.
9.44 "	W. L. Dunbar and R. K. Valentine.
9.49 "	D. L. Newbigging and S. A. Sleaf.
9.52 "	P. Jacks and G. Davidson.
9.56 "	A. Webster and W. A. Weight.
10.00 "	E. P. Fletcher and E. M. Bryden.
10.04 "	A. G. Coppin and S. S. Perry.
10.08 "	F. M. Ellis and W. K. Tait.
10.12 "	J. H. Raikes and S. J. H. Fox.
10.16 "	N. H. Laver and F. M. Merry.
10.20 "	H. A. Lammer and B. D. Evans.
10.24 "	W. J. Roberts and H. D. Browne.
10.28 "	J. Thayer and J. Taylor.
10.32 "	L. Garner and G. E. Mitchell.
10.36 "	A. B. Raworth and M. Maas.
10.40 "	C. W. Jeffries and N. K. Littlejohn.
10.44 "	W. J. S. Key and G. B. S. Thomson.
10.48 "	G. E. Ellams and C. B. Brown.
10.52 "	E. C. Fredericks and E. D. Lawrence.
10.56 "	G. W. Sewell and A. D. Humphreys.
11.00 "	C. E. Holmes and D. Ellis.
11.04 "	R. A. Moodie and W. J. Clerk.
11.08 "	E. P. Streathfield and W. Smith.
11.12 "	C. Mycock and E. J. Edwards.
11.16 "	C. L. Sandes and T. G. Bennett.
11.20 "	N. V. A. Croucher and J. P. Sherry.
11.24 "	B. Petheram and A. Morley.
11.28 "	A. R. Cox and C. J. Waddell.
11.32 "	A. B. Purves and E. des Vaux.
11.36 "	A. E. Lissaman and F. A. Redmond.
11.40 "	C. P. Rees and C. Thwaites.
11.44 "	J. Cameron and Capt. Dobbie.

CRICKET.

MR. HANCOCK'S XI. v. MR. HAYWARDS XI.

The following will play in the Inter-Club match on the H.K.C.C. ground, starting at 2 p.m. to-day.

Mr. Hancock's XI.—H. R. B. Hancock (Capt.), A. C. I. Bowker, L. A. R. Duncan, Capt. A. G. Dobbie, L. L. Melsome, E. J. R. Mitchell, Dr. North, Rev. E. K. Quick, V. W. L. Stanion, J. A. Summers, W. K. Tait.

Mr. Hayward's XI.—A. W. Hayward (Capt.), Comdr. F. O. Baker, J. L. Bonnar, G. E. R. Divett, R. H. Dowler, E. R. Duckitt, O. Moor, H. Owen Hughes, A. Reid, B. Stock, E. R. Dist.

VOLUNTEERS v. COMBINED LEAGUE.

The following will represent the Volunteers against the Combined League in an all day match on the Kowloon Cricket Club ground on Sunday, commencing 11 a.m. sharp:—E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), H. Owen Hughes, A. W. Hayward, O. Moor, E. C. Fincher, C. D. Wales, J. L. Bonnar, A. Reid, G. E. R. Divett, F. Zimmerman, W. Hunt.

players will be selected from the following South China and Chinese Athletic players:—Pau Ka Ping, Lai Yuk Tai, Ng Kam Chuen, Lum Yuk Ying, Wong Shui Wa, Ho Cho Yin, Wong Shui Wo, Suen Kam Shun, Wong Pak Chong, Ip Pak Wa, Chan Kwong Yu, Fung King Cheong, Li Tin Sang, Lau Mei, Chan Sik Pui, Leung Yuk Tong and Wong Mee Shun.

KOWLOON 1st XI. v. SMALL UNITS.

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon Football Club to-day. Kick off at 4.45 p.m.:—Angus, Robson, Pile, Downman, Easterbrook, Bliss, Eastman, Hedley, Morgan, McKelvie, Miles. Reserve: Spary.

KOWLOON RESERVES v. SOUTH CHINA "B."

To-day, kick off 3 p.m. (Kowloon)—Nicholls, Moore, East, Seddon, Campbell, Davies, Hannan, McIntyre, Moss, Waddington, King. Reserves: Angus, White.

THE LAST TEST MATCH.

BAD END TO THE DAY.

HOBBS' MAGNIFICENT CENTURY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MELBOURNE, March 8th. For the Fifth Test Match England had to take the field without her captain, as Chapman is not fit and has put himself down as "twelfth man." Sutcliffe is also standing down, and the two vacancies have been filled by Tyldesley and Leyland.

J. C. White gave England a good opening by winning the toss, and sent in Hobbs and Jardine to face the bowling of Wall and Hornbrook. This pair of bowlers gave a most convincing display, both keeping a fine length and showing plenty of speed, and the Australian attack looked more dangerous than at any time since the Brisbane match.

Enormous interest is being taken in this match and at the opening there was a crowd of 10,000, which by the tea interval had swelled to 21,000. Hundreds of the spectators had made lengthy journeys to see the game.

Slow Scoring.

In the face of accurate bowling, scoring was slow at the outset, but after 80 minutes the total had risen to 40 without loss. The opening bowlers were then replaced by Fairfax and Orenham, and in the last over before lunch Hobbs, with a hook to the leg boundary, put up the 50 in 90 minutes. The lunch score was 51, Hobbs being 38 and Jardine 12.

Grimmett Hurt.

With Hammond as his partner Hobbs soon reached his 50 with an on drive to the boundary, and this rate of scoring increased. Hammond, with a boundary off Hornbrook, raised the total to 100 after 129 minutes' play, but soon after wards Grimmett was struck on the right knee by a hard drive from Hobbs and had to retire. When Hobbs' score was 84, Hammond was taken in the gully after an innings of 78 minutes which included four 4's.

Hobbs' Century.

The tea interval occurred at 150, when Hobbs was 98 and Tyldesley 8, and afterwards Hobbs proceeded steadily to his century, which he reached in 208 minutes. This is the twelfth century he has scored against Australia. Grimmett returned to the field when the 200 went up half an hour later, at which time both men were batting confidently.

Just as the close of the day's play was drawing near, Hobbs' wonderful innings came to an end. He had been at the wickets for 225 minutes, during which he had displayed all his old mastery of every shot in the game. His innings included eleven 4's.

Duckworth was sent in to play out time with Tyldesley, but at the very end a ball kicked up hastily and Tyldesley put up a catch to Hornbrook in the slips.

Score:—

England—1st Innings.	145
Hobbs, 1st w. b. Ryder.	145
D. R. Jardine, c. Oldfield, b. Wall.	19
Hammond, c. Fairfax, b. Tyldesley, c. Hornbrook, b. Ryder.	38
Duckworth, not out.	31
Extras.	7
Total (for 4 wickets).	240

J. C. White, Hendren, Leyland, Larwood, Geary, and Tate to bat. Fall of the wickets:—1/64; 2/148; 3/235; 4/240. Australia:—J. Ryder, W. M. Woodfull, A. Jackson, A. Kippax, D. Bradman, A. G. Fairfax, C. V. Grimmett, P. M. Hornbrook, W. A. Oldfield, R. M. Orenham and T. Wall.

"FATHER WHITE'S" HOME TEAM.

JOHN, TOM, JOAN, AND DORA.

Taunton (Somerset).—Four little cricketers are waiting for the summer, and for the return of J. C. White from Australia. They are John and Tom, Joan and Dora, the children of the famous cricketer now captaining England at Melbourne.

It is a little cricket community united in admiration and hero-worship of the Somerset man who has helped England to keep the Ashes. The Test matches are lived over again in that grey concrete house with the wide windows at Bagborough. Every ball Jack White bowls is bowled over again at the fireside, and in the few short weeks in the summer when he will be at home Jack White will be made to play at being J. C. White bowling Australia, with John and Tom, Joan and Dora as Australia. "Australia" has made its plans already, and is looking forward joyfully to a slightly more suitable title.

LAWN TENNIS.

M. W. LO TO MEET HONDA.

YESTERDAY'S MATCHES.

Of the many matches decided yesterday, the best tennis was seen in the tie between M. W. Lo and Yoshida in the Open Singles Championship of the Colony. The former, who eventually won after a prolonged struggle, played a spectacular game in the first and second sets, winning them by 6-0, 6-2. He appeared in very good form, hitting with precision and placing with accuracy all round the court, and mixing up his shots successfully. He had Yoshida running all the time, and repeatedly beat the Japanese by fine shots, either by a drive or by a "kill" at the net.

Yoshida, however, played with great perseverance and made a great effort to turn the tables on his opponent in the third set. He then reached its most interesting stage. The Japanese relaxed, and Lo succeeded in levelling the score after a hard struggle for the tenth game. A ding-dong battle followed until 10-10. Yoshida had the lead most of the time, but failed to drive home his advantage, though once within a point of winning the set. Lo stuck on to his opponent well and eventually won at 12-10. The winner now meets Honda in the third round.

Honda qualified for this by beating Barrow yesterday, the scores being 6-1, 6-2, 12-10. A prolonged struggle was also seen in this match and Barrow is to be congratulated for extending the champion in the third set.

S. A. Rumjahn made his initial appearance in the Open Singles, meeting W. C. Hung whom he beat in straight sets. The latter opened well and led at 3-1, and levelled after being 5-3 down, but that proved his best effort, Rumjahn winning the set at 7-5 and taking the following two sets easily. The Indian player now meets Luk Ding Cheung in the third round.

Several other interesting Club events were also decided, the results of which follow:—

RESULTS.

Open Singles.

Second Round.

T. Honda beat J. Barrow 6-1, 6-2, 12-10.
S. A. Rumjahn beat W. C. Hung 7-5, 6-1, 6-1.
M. W. Lo beat H. Yoshida, 6-0, 6-2, 12-10.

Club Championship.

G. W. Sewell beat R. K. Valentine 6-3, 6-1.

Handicap Singles "B."

A. Reid (ova 15) w.o. from C. L. Sandes (rec. 3/8).

Handicap Doubles.

H. V. Parker and L. A. R. Duncan (scr.) beat E. R. Price and T. J. Price (rec. 15) 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

A. H. Penn and A. C. I. Bowker (rec. 15) beat J. L. Bonnar and V. W. L. Stanion (rec. 3/8) 6-4, 8-6.

G. N. de Man and C. Stigter (rec. 4/8) beat E. J. R. Mitchell and G. R. Horridge (rec. 3/8) 6-4, 4-6, 6-4.

fully to defeat John, the elder boy, who is aged fourteen, shows promise of doing credit to his father's name.

"He plays in just the same way as his father," said Mrs. White, and added, laughing, "They say father falls over the wicket-well, so does John, only one does it neatly and the other clumsily."

Summer Dread.

Mrs. White loves cricket in the winter, when she can read about it being played in South Africa or Australia. She dreads it in the summer, because the sight of a cricket ball coming towards her makes her want to run, but the children insist on her playing.

While his family are playing cricket on the heath in Somerset, Jack White is being a freeseed farmer in Australia. His father, who is managing his large farm for him while he is away, sends him weekly a budget of news from the farm, and while England is applauding White the Cricketer, White the Man is congratulating himself he cause the ground is in good condition for his sheep.

Every day, happening in the world of the farm is enthusiastically recorded and despatched to Australia. The doings of the eighteen fowls which are Mrs. White's share of the farm have been read with absorbing interest in the Sydney dressing-room, and the frowns on the face of the England man as he walked out to bowl Ryder may have been due to the disturbing news that Matilda had refused to lay.

Mrs. White is amused because her husband is called "Farmer White."

"He is an exceptionally clever farmer," she said, "but I don't see why they label him 'farmer.' They don't label other cricketers; besides, how much does Jack see of the farm? Why last summer he was playing for Somerset, in the previous autumn he was in the Argentine, now he is in Australia, and he will arrive back in time to play again for Somerset. When he is at home he spends most of his free time playing cricket with the children."

"Cricketer White" would seem to be a slightly more suitable title.

HONG KONG RACES.

FIRST EXTRA MEETING.

SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

[By EARLY BIRD.]

Five good handicap events provide the features of an attractive card at to-day's opening of the Extra Meeting season at Happy Valley, and some first-class sport is promised.

Several of the season's most prominent performers are engaged in the chief event, the First Extra Meeting Stakes, which should provide a close and keen contest. The Happy Valley Handicap which is divided into three classes has also attracted a good-class entry.

As Mr. Peto-Hunt and Mr. J. Heard are still with us and will be riding at the meeting I have no doubt they will "clean up" between them, and, therefore, I would advise backers to make a note of the mounts which have the services of these two "crack" riders, and play them throughout the day as they are certain to run prominently.

Mr. "Tommy" Bulteel, who has been on long leave, will be with us again to-day and I believe he will be riding for the Dynasty stable.

Mr. Bulteel will be welcomed back by a host of friends, who will be glad to see him in the saddle once again, and with the near approach of the Fanling Hunt Steeplechase Meeting I have no doubt that his services will be in great demand at both courses.

SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

- 1st Race.
1. Eve's Elect.
2. Chesapeake Bay.
3. Winsome Stag.
- 2nd Race.
1. Cream Cracker.
2. Papaya.
3. Zephyr.
- 3rd Race.
1. Fifty Fifty.
2. Blue World.
3. King's Fallock.
- 4th Race.
1. Eve's Elect.
2. Majestic Hall.
3. Christmas Chimes.

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CASTLE ROAD ROBBERY.

ATTACK ON A SICK WOMAN.

HER STORY IN COURT.

Further evidence was taken before Major Wilson at the Central Magistrate's yesterday afternoon in the charges of armed robbery against three men and a woman. A com-

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FANLING HUNT.

FIXTURE LIST FOR MARCH.

Sunday, March 10th:—Paper Hunt—March Cup.
17th:—Point-to-Point—March Cup. (Lok-ma-chau), Cross Road.
11 a.m. (On this occasion we have members of the Canton Ride as guests).
24th:—Grand National Meeting.—Kwanti.
Saturday, March 30th:—Race Meeting—Happy Valley.
Sunday, March 31st:—Cross Country Scramble, Souza's Bungalow, 10.30 a.m.
Note:—March 10th. Paper Hunt. Meet at Kwanti Race Course at 11 a.m.

mittal to the Criminal Sessions is being asked for in this case which concerns the outrage at No. 10, Castle Road (off Caiho Road) at which a haul of \$42,000 was taken in money and jewellery. An old Chinese lady, who was the principal victim, died some days after the robbery from the shock she received at the time.

The daughter-in-law of the old lady stated in evidence that she was ill in one of the back rooms when she overheard a conversation between one of the robbers and her relative. A few minutes later a man armed with a revolver entered her room and demanded her money and jewels. They forcibly removed her gold bangles and searched the room, also taking the key to a box, which, however, contained only clothing.

A pair of pearl ear-rings in Court witness identified as her property. This article, she said, was in a silver box on top of a chest of drawers, and was taken by the first man who entered her room. Two other armed men came in later and insisted on searching her, although she protested that she had already been searched and asked to be left alone as she was feeling very ill at the time.

Witness said that after the robbers had gone she managed with some difficulty to get on her feet and attract the attention of the inmates of the adjoining house, who gave the alarm and informed the police.

The case was adjourned.

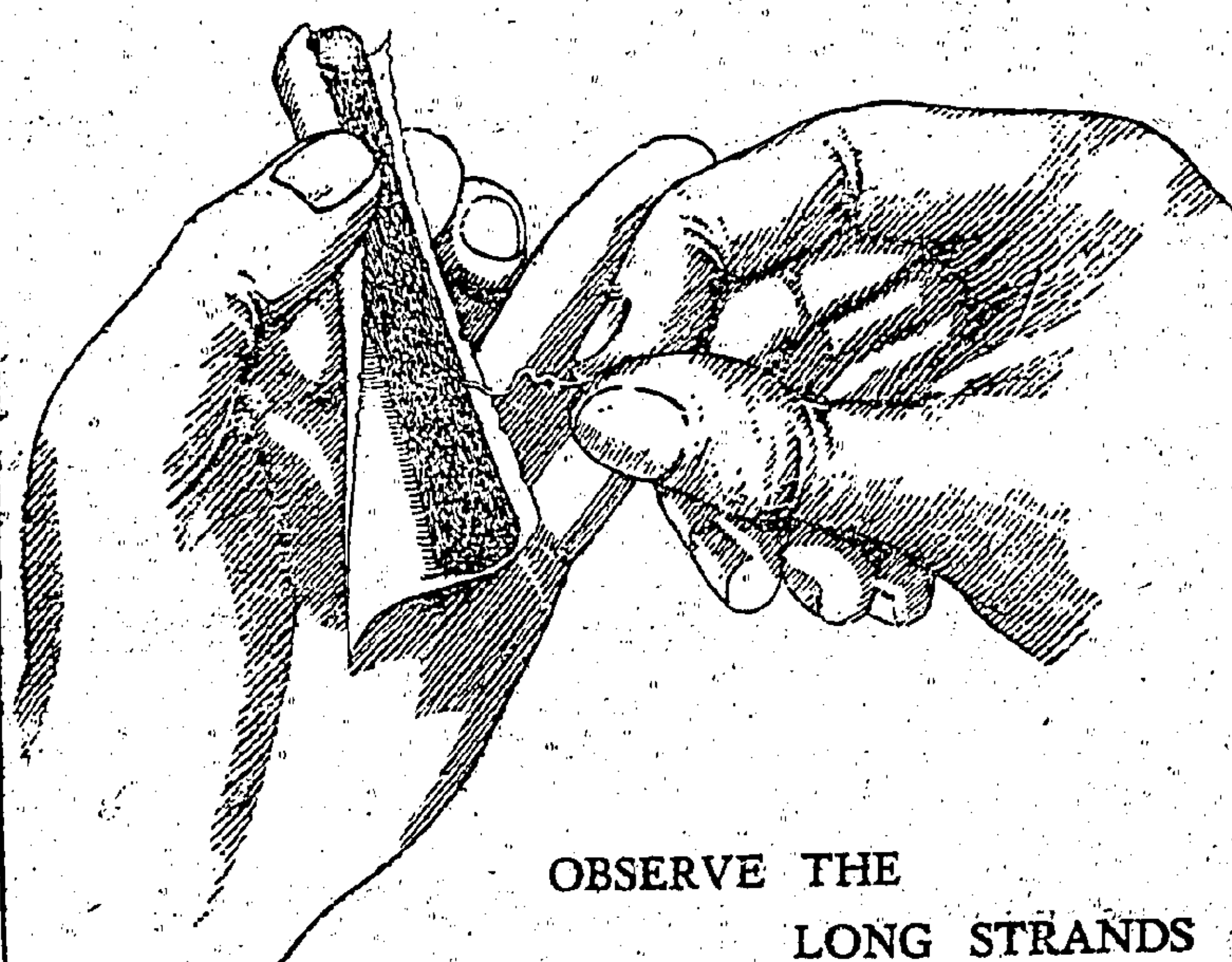
THE JERVOIS STREET AFFAIR.

Another case against a Chinese for armed robbery at No. 53, Jervois Street, first floor, a day before Chinese New Year, was continued before Mr. E. W. Hamilton.

The evidence given was to the effect that two men, pretending to be patients, visited a Chinese doctor living at that address. They were joined by two others later, who all took part in the robbery. The alarm was given as the men left the floor and an ex-constable detained a man (the defendant) on suspicion as he was hastily leaving the house. A purse found on the prisoner was claimed by the doctor as his property, and the latter also picked the man out at an identification parade as one of the robbers.

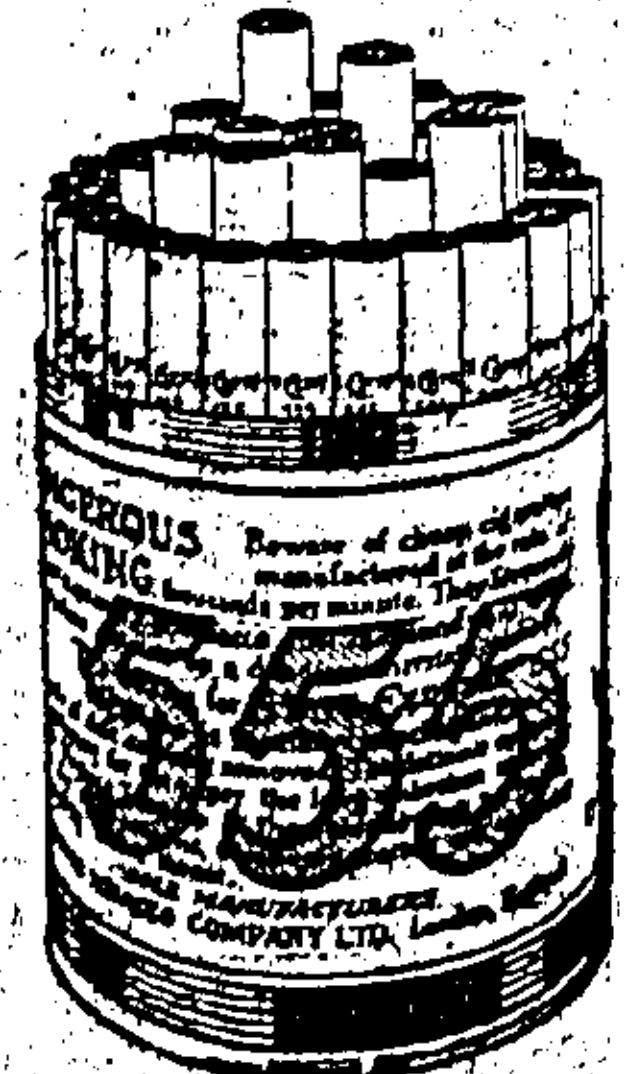
Defendant in answer to the charge at the Police Station admitted that he took part in the robbery, but would say nothing more. At the close of the evidence he was committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

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Money and Markets

HONG KONG MARKET REPORTS.

Quotations at yesterday's local market for rice, flour, sugar, and other foodstuffs were as follows:—

Rice.	per picul.
Hung See Miu	87.42
Green Star	7.18
Red Seal, White	8.11
Green Seal, White Bran	2.88
Wheel	7.10

Flour.	per bag.
Cabbage	83.24
Tai Mui	3.90
Blue Bird	3.14
Dog's Head	3.20
Pai Kua	3.08

Groundnut Oil.	
Superior Grade	825.40
Middle Grade	24.00

The market of groundnut oil is improving.

Sugar.	
No. 24 coarse powdered	88.18
No. 24 coarse powdered	8.08

Miscellaneous.	
Wood Oil	8 31.10
Duck Feather	38.80
Resin	5.80
Green Bean	6.00
Mushroom	490.00

CANTON COTTON YARN MARKET.

CANTON, March 8th. During the past two days, large quantities of No. 32 and No. 42 cotton yarn have been purchased by Fatsan merchants and prices have gone up by two dollars. Other varieties of cotton have dropped by about a dollar and the market is quiet.

Thursday's quotations were as follows:—

	per picul.
No. 42 Five Sons	576
Butterfly	584
Happiness	582
No. 32 Pagoda	484
Double Horses	480
Tin Koon	470
Pine Tree & Deer	478
Shuang He	468
No. 20 Golden City	330
Globe	331.50
Double Horses	319
Tin Koon	323
No. 16 Globe	301
Foo Kwa	300
Yan Chung	300
No. 12 Golden City	281
Peacock	280
Foo Kwa	279
Po Yee	279
Tramcar	275
Pretty Damsel	284
Aeroplane	278
Tak Lee	278.50
No. 10 Sailing Vessel	285
Lotus Bee	253
Double Lions	255
Five Lions	254
Excellent Crops	243
Hut Hou	198

CANTON OIL MARKET.

The groundnut oil market was still slack on Thursday but there were signs of improvement in the tea oil market. Prices of both wood and bean oils were firm. Quotations were as follows:—

Groundnut Oil, Sheung	\$24.00
Fong Tse	23.50
Groundnut Oil, Tung Wo	10.05
Factory	20.08
Tea Oil, Lincha	19.80
Shiucha	19.80
Saicha	19.20

CANTON BEAN MARKET.

The bean market in Canton has been less active the past few days. Quotations on Wednesday were as follows:—

Soy Bean, Pearl	9.30
Soy Bean, Vegetable Golden	9.35
White Peas	9.80
Black Bean	9.20
Green Bean	11.40
Scarlet Bean	11.50

CANTON TRADE NOTES.

BOYCOTT CAUSES PRICES INCREASE.

Prices of marine products of all kinds have risen considerably since the anti-Japanese boycott was started. A small amount is smuggled in from Japan, the sole supplier, but nothing like enough to meet Canton's needs in this direction.

Silk Orders from U.S. and France.

The extremely cold weather in other parts of the world has effected the silk market and both Lyons and New York are placing unusually large orders with Chinese merchants. Last year the price of silk was down to \$1,000 per picul, but the present quotations show a satisfactory increase.

Chinese Coal.

Another commodity to benefit from the boycott is coal produced at the Kaichow and Luanchow mines. Dealers here are taking full advantage of the situation and increasing their prices.

SHANGHAI EXCHANGE MARKET.

THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 8th.

SILVER ADVANCED BUT MARKET NOT FIRM.

Shanghai, March 4th.—Although silver prices showed a fair advance during the week, due principally to the direction of China, one cannot consider the market as firm. The essentials for a permanent rise are lacking at this juncture, for stocks of silver locally are increasing instead of going down. This is due not only to the usual arrival of bar silver from abroad, but also to the arrivals at Shanghai of silver dollars which are beginning to filter through from outports.

Tael prices of dollars are, in these circumstances, kept at low price levels, much under cost of minting. Nevertheless, it would not be surprising to hear shortly that either one or both of the coinage plants of Hangchow or Nanking have restarted work. It must be borne in mind that these establishments have to continue the maintenance of a skilled staff of workers, independently of whether the mints are working or kept idle.

Export Slack.

Exports from Shanghai have been slack recently. Silk is not in demand from Lyons for the time being, though America has been buying moderately in our market. General imports would not call for comment, if it was not for Indian raw cotton, which has had a very large market here during the past two weeks.

SILVER IN AMERICA. RECORD OF PRODUCTION.

The organized production of silver in the United States dates back to 1890. Between 1891 and 1920, the average annual production amounted to only 7,880,000 oz. as compared with about 83,000,000 oz. during the past decade. The undermentioned States have, during 1923, produced the following quantities of silver (figures in troy ounces):—

Alaska	463,000
Arizona	6,347,000
California	1,410,000
Colorado	3,973,000
Idaho	8,878,000
Michigan	4,000
Missouri	152,000
Montana	10,002,000
Nevada	5,392,000
New Mexico	788,000
Oregon	28,000
South Dakota	90,000
Tennessee	95,000
Texas	1,381,000
Utah	18,888,000
Washington	84,000
Sundries	40,000
Total	59,020,000

NEW YORK STOCK QUOTATIONS.

Stock	Price
Allied Chem. & Dye (Com.)	120 1/2
American Can (Com.)	120 1/2
American Smelting	122 1/2
American Tel. & Tel. (Com.)	217 1/2
American Tobacco "B"	174 1/2
Armour & Co. "A"	18 1/2
Armour & Co. (Ill.) 1/2 Pfd.	18 1/2
Asarco Copper	147 1/2
Andes Copper	68 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	124 1/2
Bank of Montreal	373 3/4
Bethlehem Steel (Com.)	102 1/2
Cathartes & Hecla	60 1/2
Campo Corp.	100 1/2
Canadian Pacific Railway	251 1/2
Carnegie Docks	41 1/2
Chrysler	104 1/2
Consolidated Gas of N.Y.	110 1/2
Coty Incorporated	68 1/2
Curtis Flying Service	68 1/2
Davison Chemical	61 1/2
Dry Docks	22 1/2
Du Pont de N. E. (Com.)	187 1/2
Eastman Kodak	184 1/2
General Electric Co.	245 1/2
General Motors	83 1/2
General Ry. Signal (Com.)	109 1/2
Gold Dust	72 1/2
Goodrich Rubber	94 1/2
Granby Consolidated	94 1/2
Haysart	61 1/2
International Cement (Com.)	97 1/2
International Nickel Pfd.	63 1/2
International Nickel (Com.)	63 1/2
International Paper Inc.	67 1/2
Inter. Prod. Corp. (Com.)	11 1/2
Kalvinator	18 1/2
Kennecott Copper	89 1/2
Liggett & Myers, Class "B"	89 1/2
Lorillard Co. (Com.)	24 1/2
Mac Trucks	108 1/2
Madison Square Garden	24 1/2
Missouri Pacific (Com.)	78 1/2
National Dairy Products	124 1/2
Nevada Consolidated Copper	104 1/2
N. Y. Central & Hudson River	119 1/2
Norfolk & Western	10 1/2
North American Aviation	67 1/2
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	148 1/2
Packard Motor Car (Com.)	148 1/2
Paramount Lasky	64 1/2
Pennsylvania Railroad	78 1/2
Phillips Petroleum	87 1/2
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	60 1/2
Shell Union Oil	27 1/2
Southern Pacific Railway	132 1/2
Standard Gas & Elec. (Com.)	31 1/2
Standard Oil of New Jersey	148 1/2
Standard Oil of New York	24 1/2
Texas Corporation (Com.)	59 1/2
Texas Gulf Sulphur	74 1/2
Timken Roller Bearing	84 1/2
Trans-American Corp.	132 1/2
Union Carbide	210 1/2
Union Pacific & B. (Com.)	228 1/2
U.S. Leather "A"	51 1/2
U.S. Realty & Imp. Co.	95 1/2
U.S. Rubber (Pfd.)	88 1/2
U.S. Steel	101 1/2
Vacuum Oil	112 1/2
Vanguard Corp.	104 1/2
Warrington Elec. (Com.)	158 1/2
Willis Overland Co.	31 1/2
Wright Aeronautical	270 1/2
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CHURCH NOTICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

Hong Kong.

MARCH 10th, 1929, 4th Sunday in Lent.

Choral Eucharist at 8 a.m.

Children's Service at 10 a.m.

Peak Sunday School at 10 a.m.

Prayer at 11 a.m.

Prayer at 11 a.m.

Subject:—"Self-dedication and Intercession."

Evangelist at 6 p.m.

Preacher:—Rev. H. V. Koor.

Subject:—"The Christian at Home."

Social Evening in Cathedral Hall after Evensong.

Special Notices.

Collections throughout the day will be given to the "Minor" Fund.

WEDNESDAY—Evensong at 5.30 p.m.

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Pres. Lincoln, Sun., Apr. 21, 8 a.m.
Pres. Van Buren, Sun., May 5, 8 a.m.
Pres. Hayes, Sun., May 19, 8 a.m.

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THE "EXCHANGE" ACTION.

ANOTHER ADJOURNMENT ORDERED.

The exchange contract claim made by the Banque Industrielle de Chine against the Tuen Kee Hong "or \$11,354.78 damages plus 8 per cent. interest; arising out of alleged breach of a contract for the purchase of \$10,000 sterling at exchange 2s. 6d. telegraphic transfer on London not later than July 31st, 1921, was continued in the Supreme Court yesterday before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan), when Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., continued to address the Court for the defence.

In cross-examination by Mr. F. C. Jenkins, the general manager of the defendant firm said he was not familiar with the procedure at the bank when exchange contracts were put through. His son looked after exchange contracts, reporting day by day on the market. On July 2nd, 1921, witness did not know whether the dollar had fallen or risen and did not know that the market was against him on the contract.

He admitted that if the rate had gone in this favour there would have been something due to him from the bank.

Crowd Outside a Bank.
Mr. Jenkins: Do you mean to say you took no precaution to ascertain whether money was due to you by the bank or whether you owed money to the bank?—I did not take any precautions.

In reply to further questions witness said the only sterling contract he had at that time was the subject of the action. He had others, however, in other currencies, and a number of his contracts were with foreign banks. He did not understand English but employed a *faki* who did.

His import and export business totalled three or four lakhs of dollars a year while his exchange business ran into several million dollars. He had three firms at Cleverly Street, and also a rice firm in Wing Lok Street.

The manager of the defendant firm, son of the previous witness, said the Banque Industrielle did not send out monthly notes saying which contracts were outstanding.

On July 2nd witness went to the bank, finding a large crowd outside and a notice on the door stating that by instructions from the head office, dealings had been suspended. He was able to get inside the bank when he went again in July 8th. When he asked the assistant comptroller about the contracts, the latter pointed to the notice on the door saying that everything was suspended and nothing could be done about the contracts. Witness considered after that that all the contracts were finished.

The case was adjourned.

SUPREME COURT CAMEOS.

[By "HUMANIST"]

"The lady plaintiff grew voluble and gesticulated wildly at the interpreter."

"She says she did not avoid the bailiffs. Your Lordship," explained the interpreter.

Mr. Justice Wood patted his wig and made a careful note on his pad.

"Then ask her," he demanded coldly, "why her door was locked."

Again, the lady gesticulated.

"A man had threatened her and when the bailiff called she thought the man had returned," proffered the interpreter.

"As a matter of fact, the man had called once, kicked the door open, blew out ice and flew in the air!"

"Blew out ice?" queried the startled Judge.

"He means," interjected Mr. Russ, the solicitor, helpfully, "that the man blew out his eyes and flew into a rage!"

The Judge was still puzzled until, to the delight of everybody in Court, the obliging solicitor glanced at His Lordship with his eyes almost popping from his head.

"I am a manager," stated a Chinese witness.

"Humph," grunted Counsel.

"What do you manage?"

"To earn my own living!" replied the witness.

Nobody smiled.

"I saw the money paid to the plaintiff," declared a Chinese witness in another case. "Defendant gave him \$10 more than he needed because I was present."

He gave him a handful of notes. It was because I was there he got more."

"Very interesting," commented His Lordship. "It is rather unfortunate, in the circumstances, that I have an exhibit here which shows that plaintiff was paid \$10 less by cheque on the following day and the cheque is signed by a man whom you declare to be absent!"

Witness smiled audly.

MARATHON RUNNER MISSING.

A JAT YOUTH "NOT INTELLIGENT."

A number of Indian competitors in the forthcoming Hong Kong Marathon race were being taken over the course yesterday afternoon at 5.30 p.m. Amongst the runners was a Jat youth about 18 years of age, named Sidar, who only recently arrived in the Colony. On reaching Conduit Viaduct, Sidar was noticed to have lagged behind and finally to stop. The runners continued thinking that he would follow.

Passing the University and near Mount Davis Road the party found that Sidar was missing. They waited for a little while and then carried on completing the course.

Arriving back at the starting point no sign of Sidar was found and a search was made over the course but without result and a report was sent to the Police, but up to a late hour last night Sidar had not been found.

Sidar is described as "not intelligent," and, as a Hindu, he will not speak to or accept help or food or even a drink of water, from anyone but a fellow Hindu.

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INVITED TO CHINA'S AID.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, March 7th.

The Secretary-General of the League of Nations has announced that the Nanking Government has invited the Medical Director of the Health Organisation of the League, Dr. Reichman; Sir Arthur Newsholme; and Dr. Victor Beisen, of the International Health Division of the Rockefeller Foundation to become members of the proposed International Advisory Council.

This Council of three members will be charged with the duty of advising the Chinese Health Minister.

Dr. Reichman has accepted the invitation.

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[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

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Viminale, Dodwell's, Apr. 2.
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Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Apr. 7.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Apr. 10.

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Patroclus, B.F., Mar. 20th.
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Malwa, P. & O., Mar. 30th.
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Leverkusen, J.C.J.L., Apr. 3.
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Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 13.
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Saarbrücken, Melchers, Mar. 15.
Nalders, P. & O., Mar. 15th.
Santhia, B.I., Mar. 15th.
Burgeland, J.C.J.L., Mar. 16th.
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KANGAROO.

Tjialak, J.C.J.L., Mar. 12.
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LIVERPOOL.

Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 17.
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LONDON.

Cardiganhire, Jardine's, Mar. 9.
City of Peking, Bank, Mar. 9th.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 9th.
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LOS ANGELES.

Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 9th.
Pres. Taft, Dollar, Mar. 18th.
Golden Tide, States S.S., Mar. 19.
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Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Mar. 23.
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MANILA.

Golden Peak, States S.S., Mar. 10.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Mar. 10.
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HAIPHONG	"TEAN"	On 15th Mar.	10 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUIYANG"	On 17th Mar.	8 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANTUNG"	On 17th Mar.	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI, NEWCHOW & DALNY	"LIANGCHOW"	On 17th Mar.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KATING"	On 17th Mar.	Noon
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KIANGYUAN"	On 19th Mar.	8 a.m.
HONGKONG & SINGAPORE	"KIANGSU"	On 19th Mar.	10 a.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SHANTUNG"	On 23rd Mar.	3 p.m.
WUHAN, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"KUEICHOW"	On 23rd Mar.	4 p.m.
WUHAN, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"HUEICHOW"	On 31st Mar.	6 a.m.

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		Inches	Mills.			Direction	Force (Scale of 16)	Speed (Miles per Hour)			Inches	Mills.			Direction	Force (Scale of 16)	Speed (Miles per Hour)				
Wladivostok	12	30.23	767.5	35	...	...	...	0	c	...	6	30.18	766.5	29	...	NE	3	o	...		
Nemuro	11	30.12	765.0	...	...	WNW	1	4	...	5	...	29.96	761.0	...	...	WSW	1	2	...		
Hokodate	"	30.26	765.5	...	...	WSW	1	4	...	...	...	30.12	765.0	...	...	SW	1	2	...		
Tokio	"	30.37	771.5	...	...	SE	1	1	...	...	...	30.26	768.5	...	...	SW	1	1	...		
Kochi	"	30.33	770.5	...	...	SE	1	1	...	...	...	30.30	769.5	...	...	N	...	...	...		
Nagasaki	"	30.33	770.5	...	...	SE	1	0	...	...	...	30.32	770.0	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Kagoshima	"	30.31	770.0	...	...	ESE	1	1	...	...	...	30.30	769.5	...	...	NW	1	0	...		
Oshima	"	30.28	769.0	...	...	N	1	1	...	...	...	30.26	768.5	...	...	...	0	1	...		
Naha	"	30.24	768.0	...	...	N	1	1	...	...	...	30.24	768.0	...	...	NE	1	1	...		
Ishigakijima	"	30.24	768.0	...	...	N	2	1	...	...	...	30.22	767.5	...	...	N	1	1	...		
Bonin Island	"	30.08	764.5	...	...	N	1	1	...	...	...	30.12	765.0	...	...	S	1	1	...		
Chefoo	15	30.12	765.0	58	58	SW	4	b	b	6	...	30.18	766.8	44	68	SW	1	1	b		
Shanghai	14	30.32	771.0	57	52	SSE	1	b	b	...	...	30.20	769.5	37	63	ESE	2	1	b		
Outcliff	"	30.39	770.9	48	62	SSE	1	b	b	...	...	30.35	770.9	42	75	SSE	2	1	b		
Sharp Peak	"	30.22	767.5	60	48	E	1	b	b	...	...	30.23	767.8	48	74	NW	2	1	b		
Amoy	"	30.24	768.1	64	38	ENE	4	b	b	6	...	30.23	767.8	52	79	NE	4	1	b		
Swatow	"	30.22	768.6	59	77	E	2	b	b	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Taichoku	11	30.27	768.9	63	66	ENE	4	b	b	5	...	30.24	768.0	50	95	...	0	0	b		
Taiichu	"	30.31	767.4	63	...	NNW	4	b	b	...	...	30.21	767.4	50	...	...	...	...	...		
Taiwan	"	30.21	767.2	72	...	N	4	b	b	...	...	30.20	767.1	52	...	NNE	2	2	b		
Koshun	"	30.18	766.5	73	...	NE	4	b	b	...	...	30.17	766.2	64	...	NE	4	2	b		
Pescadores	"	30.26	768.6	61	...	NNE	6	b	b	...	...	30.21	767.4	55	...	NNE	4	1	b		
Hong Kong	14	30.18	766.6	65	53	E	3	b	b	6	...	30.20	767.1	57	68	E	2	4	b		
Gap Rock	"	30.19	766.8	...	...	ENE	4	b	b	...	...	30.19	766.8	...	...	ENE	4	2	b		
Macao	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30.17	766.2	55	79	N	2	...	...		
Holhow	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Pratas Island	"	30.13	765.3	64	88	NNE	6	b	od	...	...	30.14	765.5	65	78	NE	6	0	...		
Phu Lien	15	30.18	766.5	72	51	S	2	b	...	7	...	30.21	767.4	57	93	NW	4	0	bf		
Tourane	"	30.11	764.7	64	...	NNW	6	o	...	...	...	30.13	765.8	64	...	NW	4	0	bf		
Cape St. James	"	29.89	769.3	81	...	ENE	6	o	...	...	...	29.94	760.5	72	...	NE	4	4	bf		
Baseo	14	30.08	764.1	68	77	NE	4	r	...	6	...	30.11	764.7	63	64	NE	4	4	b		
Aparri	"	30.02	762.6	77	72	E	3	r	...	...	...	30.07	763.8	72	84	E	2	2	o		
Tuguegarao	"	30.02	762.6	77	64	N	4	l	o	...	...	30.06	763.5	68	92	N	2	2	o		
Vigan	"	29.88	769.0	84	52	NNW	2	o	...	...	...	29.94	760.5	75	63	N	2	0	b		
Manila	"	29.91	759.6	81	62	W	2	o	...	...	...	29.97	761.1	73	82	...	0	0	o		
Legaspi	"	29.89	759.3	84	67	NNE	2	o	...	...	...	29.93	760.2	75	88	N	4	0	o		
Calbayog	"	29.86	758.4	79	80	N	4	r	...	...	...	29.91	759.6	75	91	NNE	4	1	o		
Tacloban	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.89	759.3	75	96	N	4	0	o		
Iloilo	"	29.85	758.1	79	76	NE	8	o	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Cebu	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.87	758.7	77	84	N	2	2	b		
Surigao	"	29.84	757.8	77	88	N	4	r	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	ENE	8	...	b		
Saipan	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.93	760.2	73	...	...	...	...	...		
Guam	13.22	29.84	757.8	...	...	E	2	o	4.22	...	...	29.37	759.7	...	...	NE	4	1	...		
Yap	11.60	29.80	756.9	...	...	NE	4	o	5	...	...	29.86	758.4	77	...	NNE	4	0	c		
Pelew	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.87	758.7	77	...	SSE	2	...	b		
Ponape	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.84	757.8	76	91	NE	2	2	b		
Labuan	14	29.81	757.2	83	92	NE	4	b	6	...	...	29.84	757.8	76	91	NE	2	2	b		

March 8d, 11h. 15m.—The anticyclone is central near Nagasaki.

Light variable winds along the S.E. coast of China and fresh to moderate monsoon over the China Sea. Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 1.51 inches, against an average of 3.60 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON THE 9th.

DISTRICT.

- 1.—Formosa Channel.
- 2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Japan.
- 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan.

FORECAST.

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Hong Kong Observatory, Mar. 8th.

Barometer	Thermometer	Humidity	Wind	Direction	Force	Weather	Rain
30.18	80.20	90.6	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Highest open-air Temperature, 7th: 68

Lowest open-air Temperature, 8th: 57

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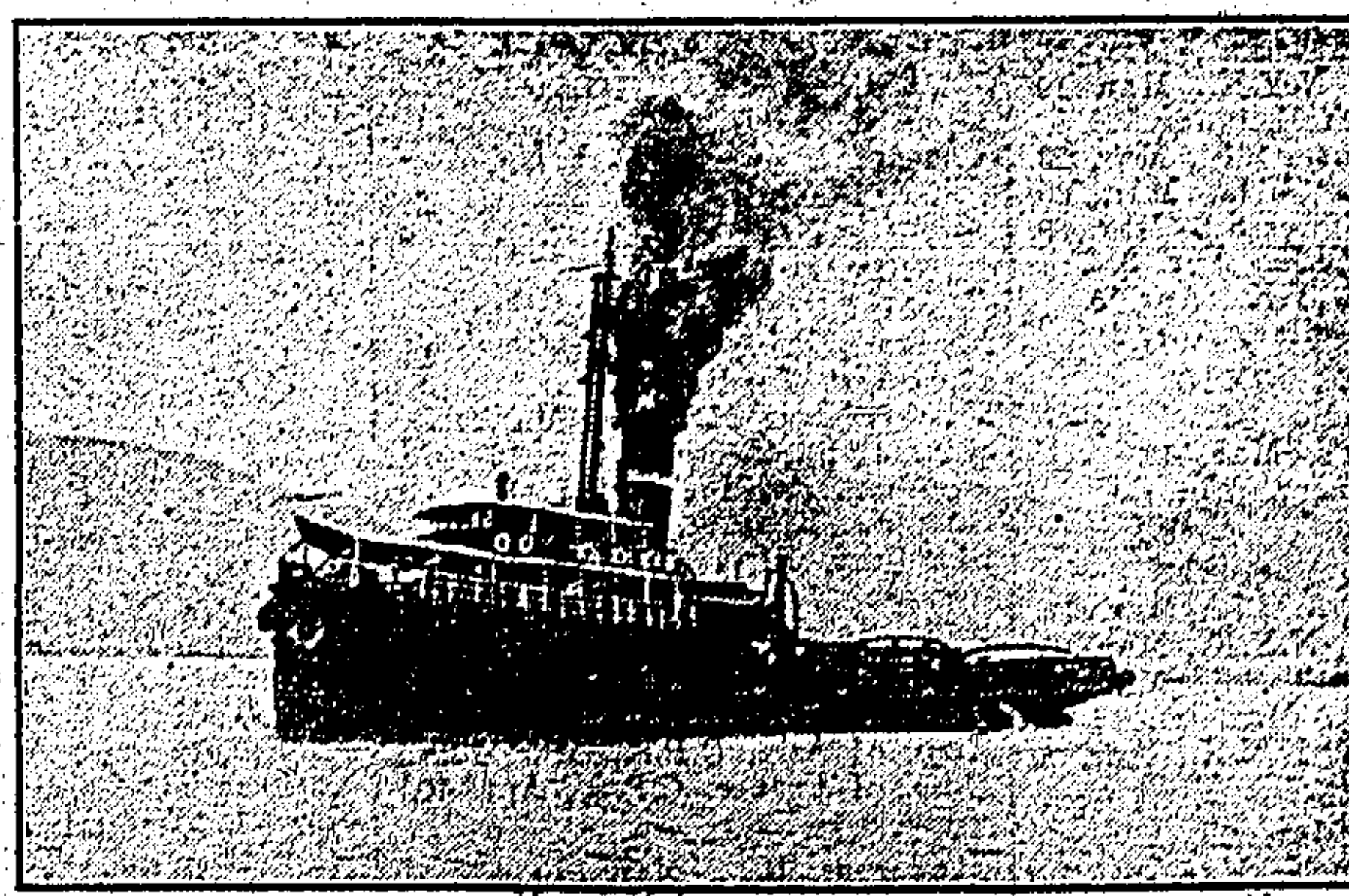
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RANDAKAN	"MAUSANG" "HINSANG"	Satur., 9th Mar., at Noon Sun., 17th Mar., at 10 a.m.
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